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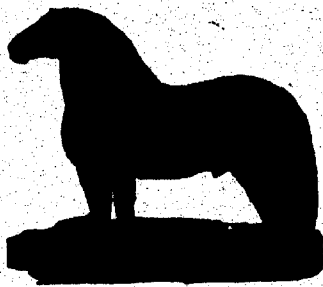
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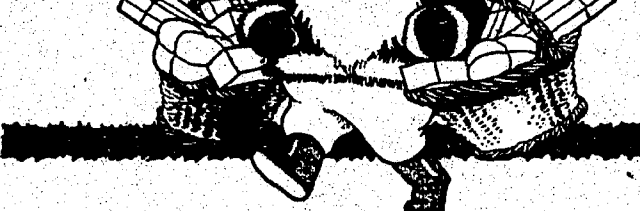
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THE FARMERS' INSTITUTE

BEST MEETING EVER HELD IN CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Prominent Speakers and Fine Agricultural Exhibit.

The Farmers' institute last week was a decided success. President L. B. Merrill was promptly on hand to attend to details.

The exhibit was fine and at the close all that was available was turned over to the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau. The collection spoke plainly of all the possibilities of Crawford county.

The part taken by the teachers and pupils of the high school was both encouraging and gratifying and we hope the interest will continue to the mutual benefit of all. We wish to see them follow the example of those little tots whose leader could not come but they took the matter into their own hands and came anyway.

We believe that the meeting will be the means of uniting and cementing the interest of all, and the Farmers' Institute of 1913 will pass into history as one of the most successful in the county.

PREMIUMS AWARDED BY THE GRANGE.

The exhibit of butter, 2 pounds or more, first premium, Mrs. J. C. Failing; second premium, Mrs. Perry Ostrander.

Best loaf of bread, first premium, Mrs. Herbert Parker; second, Mrs. J. C. Failing.

Best sample of threshed grain, first premium, J. C. Failing, \$1.00; second, H. E. Parker, \$3.50.

Best collection of all around farm produce, first premium, John Skingsley; 2nd, Hugo Schreiber.

Best plate of apples, premium awarded to Herbert E. Parker, \$1.00.

Best collection of potatoes, 6 of each variety, first premium, Hugo Schreiber, \$2.00; second premium, Herbert Parker, \$1.00.

Best plate of potatoes, Henry Stephan, \$1.00.

Best 6 ears of flint corn, first premium, Henry Stephan, \$1.00; second, J. C. Failing, \$5.00.

Best collection of vegetables, first premium, Hugo Schreiber, \$2.00; second, John C. Failing, \$1.00.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

President, L. B. Merrill; vice presidents, Grayling, Henry Stephan; Beaver Creek, Alex Skingsley and J. C. Failing; South Branch, Hugo Schreiber; Frederic, W. Batterson; Lovell, E. S. Houghton; Maple Forest, R. Edmonds; secretary, Chas. Corwin.

ATTENDANCE.

Thursday morning, December 4th was occupied with exhibits; in the afternoon 60 were present and in the evening, 150. The attendance Friday morning, December 5th was 29; afternoon 90.

The institute was fortunate in having among its speakers, N. I. Moore, of Plymouth, R. D. Bailey, of Gaylord; Mrs. J. C. Failing, of Lansing, A. B. Cook, of Owosso, and Chas. P. Reed, district agricultural agent of the U. S. department of agriculture, of Lansing. Every speaker is a member of the Grange of P. H.

Through the courtesy of the master of the Crawford county grange, Perry Ostrander, we are able to give a little information regarding a few of the speakers.

N. I. MOORE.

Brother Moore has been a member of the order of P. H. for twenty-five years and attributes his success as a public speaker and institute worker to the Grange. The writer has associated with him for several years and knows whereof he speaks.

R. D. BAILEY.

Brother R. D. Bailey is also an active member of the Grange and is too well known to require any introduction to the people of this county. Brother C. P. Reed is also a member of the order.

A. B. COOK.

A. B. Cook is a member and also a member of the State Association of Farmers' clubs, of which he has been president several years.

MRS. E. J. CRYST.

Sister Cryst's success as a speaker is attributed entirely to her activity in the Grange. Her home is on a farm three miles from Lansing and she works in the field, driving the mower and binder during the week. She is always at the Grange on Saturday evening as its lecturer. She has done much to develop and direct to usefulness the latent abilities of the young people in the community where she resides. It has been the writer's privilege to attend meetings of her Grange and must say that it was both interesting and instructive.

PERRY OSTRANDER.

Gardner's Doll Contest.

The leading contestants in Gardner's doll contest at Frederic, stand as follows:

Mary Wilber, 6450.
Lola Craven, 4,775.
Clara Perry, 1,900.

School Notes

Marion Schreck is on the sick list this week.

Some good snow stars were cut in the first grade.

Louise Joseph was absent Tuesday because of illness.

The first grade is sewing some pretty Christmas cards.

Hear the Concert Favorites at the Temple theatre tonight.

R. D. Bailey, of Gaylord, was a visitor at school last week.

This week the second grade have been studying Madonnas.

Lillian Prager and Louis Prybylski are new third grade pupils.

The American Literature class has begun the study of the Iliad.

The candy sale last Saturday netted the Athletic association about \$7.00.

The poem "Bethlehem" was memorized by the second grade last week.

Leon Prager, recently of Flint schools, entered the A 8th grade Monday.

Edith Collins illustrated the story of "Jack and Jill" very cleverly by drawings.

The lower grades are preparing for Christmas, making booklets, pictures and decorations.

The fifth grade are memorizing "A Gaelic Lullaby" and are also preparing Christmas decorations.

Nina Petersen, Lucile Hanson, and Frank Benedict were absent from the eighth grade because of sickness.

The Athletic association will sell sandwiches, two for a nickel, to all those who wish to buy, Friday afternoon.

The third grade have been doing some memory work on the "Christmas Carol" and "While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks by Night."

The second and third grade rooms will give a Christmas program in the second grade room next Friday morning. Parents and friends are invited.

The following pupils received E in spelling every day last week: Ruth Corwin, Grace Stewart, John Phelps, Ruth Harrington, Charles Moran, Myrtle Winslow.

Augusta Kraus had charge of the eighth grade Thursday while Miss Jones filled Miss Antons' place in the first grade. Miss Antons was absent on account of illness.

Monday morning the eighth grade enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Marjorie Hansen. We of the eighth grade wish that more of the parents would notice us in the same pleasant way.

The following are samples of our fifth grade wisdom: "I would rather be a primrose than a person, for then I would always have a pleasant odor, all the bees would love me and I would never get stung in the summer time." "Moses was the man who discovered Africa."

On Thursday and Friday of last week members of the agricultural class attended the afternoon sessions of the Farmers' institute. The students were very enthusiastic over the excellent talks which they heard and several class periods have been devoted to lively discussions of those topics.

Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Joseph, the members of the foot ball team were entertained at a six o'clock dinner given by Miss Jacobs and Miss Yutzy. The tables were beautiful, with their decorations of cut flowers and smilax. The young men found their places by means of hand-painted place cards, in the form of a foot ball which bore the name of the position played on the field by each man. After doing justice to the sumptuous banquet which was served by the young ladies of the Junior class, music, games and dancing were enjoyed till a late hour. The boys expressed their intention of playing ball again next season.

Real Estate Transfers for the Month Ending November 30.

Nettie M. Ingerson to William Ingerson, 80 acres in Grayling township; consideration \$1.00.

Frank E. Gregory and wife to Wm. H. Nickless, 160 acres in South Branch township; consideration \$1.00 etc.

Hattie Collen to Alonzo Collen, 2 lots in Oak Hill park and 1 1/2 lots in Grayling village; consideration \$1,500.

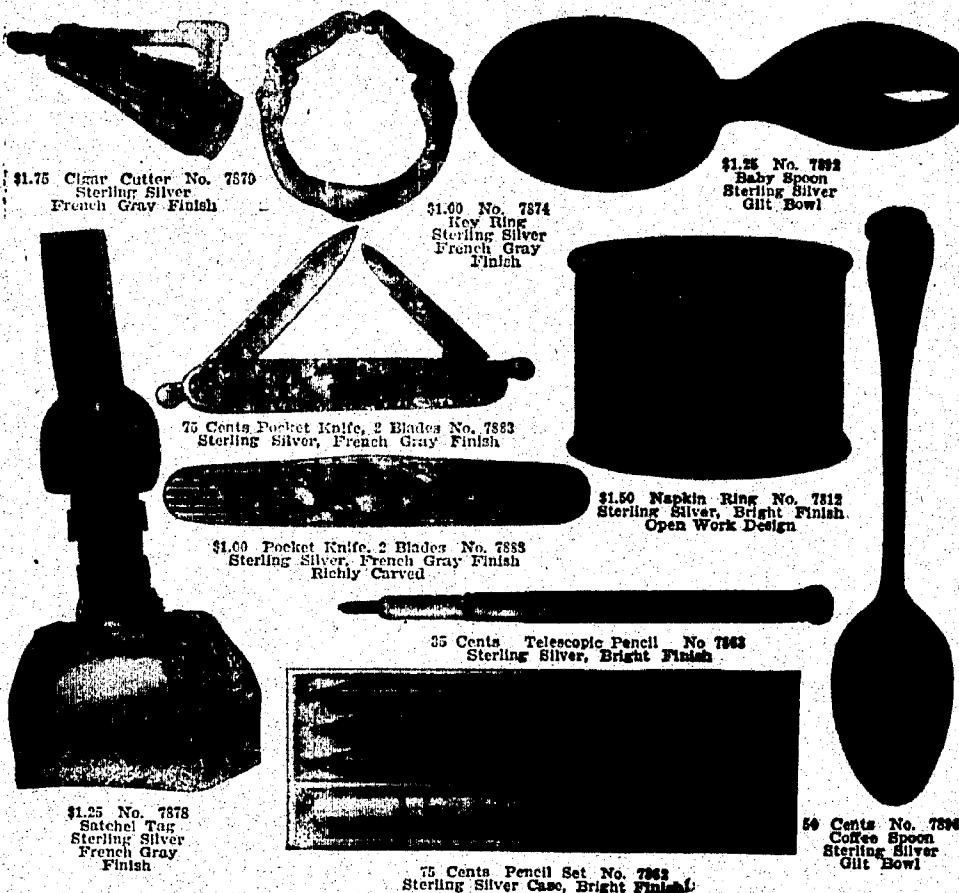
Robert King and wife to Mahlon Bearse and wife, 80 acres in Maple Forest township; consideration \$750.

J. J. Collen and wife to J. L. & S. R. R. Co., railroad right of way, Grayling township; consideration \$300.

R. Hanson and wife to J. L. & S. R. Co., railroad right of way, Grayling township; consideration \$1.00.

H. E. Parker and wife to J. L. & S. R. Co., railroad right of way, Grayling township; consideration \$50.00.

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INDIANS CLAIM VALUABLE LAND

OTTAWAS AND CHIPPEWAS ARE TRYING TO RECOVER POSSESSIONS.

TWO HUNDRED MILLIONS AMOUNT OF DEMAND.

Validity of Claim Hinges on Treaty of 1833. Similar Cases Decided in Favor of the Red Men.

Mackinac City, Mich.—Approximately 500 Ottawa and Chippewa Indians in Michigan will enter a claim for \$200,000,000 against the United States government for alleged deprivation of valuable lands and fishing rights in the Great Lakes. Several of the attorneys who have investigated the claim, which is the most gigantic ever entered against the public domain by Indians, say it is valid.

Two former claims of similar nature made by these Indians were recognized as valid by the government and something over \$200,000 paid to the tribes.

The validity of this latest and largest demand against the government hinges upon the interpretation of the treaty of 1833, between the government and 12 Indian tribes including the Northern Michigan Ottawas and Chippewas. Until recently it was supposed that under the terms of this treaty the red men had signed away all rights to land where South Chicago is now located, to all the Great Lakes islands and to unrestricted fishing rights in the lake waters, as well as other property of enormous value in Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan.

It now develops that through faulty wording of the treaty and through oversight, the South Chicago land, the Great Lakes islands and the fishing rights were not included in the treaty. Some of the lake islands involved in the fishing rights claim are: North and South Manitowis; North and South Fox; Beaver, with cluster of lesser islands; Mackinac islands; Bois Blanc and numerous fishing bays.

Young Man Divides Inheritance.

St. Johns, Mich.—"I think my father's will is unfair and unjust. I want my brother and sister to share in his estate."

This was the statement made in probate court by Alfred O. Hungerford, of Traverse City, after he had listened to the reading of the instrument which made him beneficiary to the extent of \$30,000, the other members of the family not being mentioned.

Hungerford, immediately after the hearing, went to Attorney Henry E. Walbridge, guardian of his father, and made a written stipulation dividing the property into three equal shares, one going to his brother, Burdette W. Hungerford, of Grand Rapids, one to his sister Mrs. Minnie D. Gall, of Detroit; and one to himself.

Albion Senate Has Plan.

Albion, Mich.—The student senate at Albion college, which has the government of the college practically under control, by faculty sanction, has devised a plan by which the various honors that a student may win, such as the captaincy of an athletic team, membership in a debating club, membership on a debating team, and the like, will be assigned a certain number of points.

It is planned to limit the number of points that a student may make in his college course, thus causing a more general participation in the different lines of work.

Mines to Be Reappraised.

Lansing, Mich.—At a meeting of the state tax commission and State Geologist Allen it was decided to reappraise the copper mines of the upper peninsula, providing the strike was settled and out of the way by next year.

Under a law passed by the last legislature the tax commission has authority to have the state geological department assist in the work of reappraising mining property. Normal conditions are required for the work, however, and in the event the strike is not settled the work will probably not be started.

Pomeroy Munson has been elected president of the Michigan State Horticultural society at Traverse City. Resolutions that by the payment of \$1 everyone will be entitled to attend all future conventions and become a member of the society, were adopted.

Rev. C. O. Davis, pastor of St. John's Evangelical German church at Owosso for three years, has resigned to accept a call to Wabash, Ind.

Farmers in central Michigan will be asked to stand a reduction of 50 cents a ton for sugar beets over the 1913 figures, says Manager George Wall of the Lansing branch of the Owosso Sugar Co. Secretary of State Martindale says the estimated yield of sugar beets in the state this year is 757,511 tons. The crop in 1912 was 839,480 tons.

Benton Harbor's police are contrary promises to be settled in the higher courts following the passing of an ordinance discharging the officers over the mayor's veto and the reappointment of these same men by the executive.

Those who are expecting me to have a number of parcels as Christmas gifts are going to be disappointed, was a statement made by Gov. Ferris. "I am impatient that I have already been too impatient. There will be few parcels issued by me in the future."

LIEUT. COL. DAVID GAILLARD



Army engineer who directed the work in the Culbreth cut division of the Panama canal, died at Baltimore, following a nervous collapse due to overwork.

SHOT IN STRIKE REGION

Volley of Shots into Boarding House Results in Death of Three Strike-Breakers.

Calumet, Mich.—As a result of the shooting in which three men met death in bed and a 14-year-old girl was perhaps fatally wounded when the boarding house conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Daly, near the copper mining company's plant at Painesdale early Sunday was fired upon by copper mine strikers or strike sympathizers, 2,000 working employees of the Copper Range Consolidated Mining Co.'s three mines, the Champion, Tri-Mountain and Baltic, as well as 500 surface shop and mill employees, threaten to quit work unless Manager F. W. Denton accedes to their demand not to take back another striker or member of the Western Federation of Miners.

Harry James, 23, and Arthur James, 21, who arrived Saturday from Toronto to work in the Copper Range mine, died instantly, the former with a bullet in the head and the latter from a wound in the heart. Thomas Daly, 40, was wounded in the head and lived but a few hours. Mary Nicholson, 14, was shot through the shoulder and collar bone.

Mine Tiptle Is Burned.

Bay City, Mich.—The tipple of Monitor mine, owned by Handy Brothers, about six miles west of here, was entirely destroyed by fire Thursday night. All the cars in the vicinity were saved. The coal in the chute and sheds is a total loss. The wind was in the right direction to carry the flames away from the offices and boiler rooms and the firemen devoted their efforts to protecting the casing of the shaft by starting the fans working. Aid was asked from Bay City, but nothing could be done to stop the blaze. The fire started from a hotbox, and the loss is estimated at \$10,000.

Children Make Flare of Cera.

Lansing, Mich.—Two American flags and two Michigan state seals, made out of kernels of corn of different colors, were received at the Michigan State Historical commission by Mrs. M. D. Ferry, curator.

The unique donation to the commission came from Brooklyn, in Jackson county, and was the work of the school girls of that place. Nearly a hundred school children spent more than a month in gathering corn. It was necessary to gather thousands of kernels of different colors. In many respects the donation to the commission is the most unique yet received. It will be given a permanent place in the museum.

Student Writers Are Honored.

Ann Arbor, Mich.—Seven writers on the Michigan Daily have been elected to Sigma Delta Chi, the national journalistic fraternity. Those honored are: Prof. J. H. Brumm, honorary member; Walter Nye, Holyoke, Mass.; Guy Wells, Ann Arbor; Reuben Peterson, Jr., Ann Arbor; T. H. Tappan, Peris, Ill.; Francis McKinney, Washington, D. C.; Bernice Kline, Ann Arbor, and Oliver Hall, Denver, Colo.

A large quantity of whiskey, 48 pints, was discovered by a small boy under the sidewalk near the old tannery, in Flint. The boy reported the matter to the police, who took the stuff away in a patrol and then dumped it down in a sewer.

William J. Parker, an attorney, purchased the factories, equipment and machinery of the defunct Fox & Mason Furniture company, of Corunna, at the bankrupt sale for \$11,500. This is considered a sixth of the value of the plant.

Amateur cracksmen entered the office of the St. Joseph Press and escaped with a sum total of five cents, splitting "fifty and fifty" with the manager. After breaking off the safe knobs to no avail they consulted the cash drawer to find a nickel and five pennies. They left the pennies.

The new dam of the Gladwin Light & Power Co. across Cedar river near Gladwin has been completed. It has 25-foot head and furnish 500 horsepower.

The first national conference on race betterment will be held at Benton Harbor, January 8 to 12, and hundreds of the country's most eminent men will attend. Among the officers of the organization are Governor Ferris and Senator Townsend. Among those who will speak are Judge Lindsay, Jacob Rite, S. S. McClure, Clifford Pischel.

LETTER FROM THE STATE CAPITOL

DR. DIXON SAYS NEWSPAPERS SHOULD BE BOOSTED, NOT KNOCKED.

ARE WILLING TO HELP CREATE HEALTHY SENTIMENT.

State Bacteriologist M. L. Holm Contributes An Excellent Article On Plomaine Poisoning and Its Causes.

[By Gurd M. Hayes.]

Lansing—"Too much knocking and not enough boosting is heaped on the newspapers," said Dr. R. L. Dixon, secretary of the state board of health in discussing the means of enforcing the new legislation for health conservation and educating the people along sanitary lines.

"The legislature of 1913 enacted some excellent legislation, passed some laws that may be of great value in health conservation, if public sentiment will respond to the spirit of the enactments," declared Dr. Dixon. "Laws however, are not self-enforcing. When there is a demand for laws and a public sentiment requiring their enforcement the work of the legislature becomes efficacious. But the enactment only of laws to the support of which public sentiment does not really is of doubtful value. The value to the public than of good laws is predicated upon an efficient, ever active healthy public sentiment."

"To make good laws is a great, commendable act; to make possible their enforcement is greater. It is apparent, then, that the enactment and enforcement of law are mutually dependent; that public sentiment steps in where legislation stops. Indeed, if public sentiment were alive to the necessity of sanitary safeguards in relation to communicable diseases, their restriction and origin, the enactment of specific laws in relation thereto would be superfluous. The act of the legislature is initiative, the enforcement of the act remedial. The law is the creature of public sentiment and, likewise, its enforcement."

"The sanitary laws enacted by the legislature of 1913 have been adjudged by a great majority of our people to be wise and salutary, but they will not prove of value unless public sentiment stands squarely behind their enactment. The legislature enacted them in response to a demand of the people and to the people we must look for their enforcement."

"Public sentiment must be developed, educated and directed so as to aid in the enforcement of sanitary legislation. Our commissioners of schools, teachers, women's clubs, granges, homes, schools, churches and newspapers should be active agents in a propaganda for a virile public sentiment in the development of a sanitary law enforcement. Nearly all these agencies have done and are doing excellent work. But this work has been somewhat wanting in a well thought out course to follow. Some county commissioners of schools have suggested papers and lectures upon sanitation for teachers' institutes, summer schools and associations. Grange lecturers have suggested that sanitary subjects be placed upon the programs of grange meetings. An excellent suggestion comes to us from members of women's clubs that a health day program be given occasionally to which the public be invited and asked to take part. These are all excellent suggestions and calculated to create a healthy public sanitary sentiment. The newspapers are always pleased to report the papers and lectures of all meetings held by the associations which have been referred to if they can get them. Publicity is a great means whereby sanitary sentiment may be developed. We do not use the newspapers enough. Too much knocking and not enough boosting is heaped on them. These public educators of the people publish what their readers want to read. It is up to the public to select what it wants to appear in the newspapers. The editors would prefer to publish sanitary information rather than public scandals and prize fights, if the public were as much interested in the former as the latter. Give the newspapers a chance to create a public sanitary sentiment and they will do their part in preparing the public to assist in law enforcement race betterment, home, school and government betterment which must come through a co-operation of effort of the forces of education in schools and the great school out of school. Law enforcement will come through the co-operation of a healthy sanitary sentiment which depends upon a broad social service schooling."

State Bacteriologist M. L. Holm has been asked to analyze so many food products for plomaine poisoning recently that he believes food instructions how to prevent it will be very beneficial.

"It is a well known fact that certain kinds of food under certain conditions may become injurious to health or dangerous to life," said State Bacteriologist Holm. "Popular opinions and

According to figures compiled by Secretary Drake of the industrial accident board there are 10,780 employees and 475,408 employees operating under the workmen's compensation law at the present time. Since the law went into effect September 1, 1912, the board has received reports of 22,113 accidents of which 495 were fatal. The employees are classified as follows: Liability Insurance 5,852, state insurance 248, over risk 617, mutual insurance 211.

ready explanation for such conditions usually is that the food has been standing on contact with some metal, as copper, tin, zinc, lead or iron. The presence of traces was formerly suggested by some chemists in explanation of certain causes of poisoning."

"More recently it has been shown that such metals when found are present only in traces and not in sufficient quantity to produce serious results. The true cause of such food poisoning is found in the byproducts of bacterial growth. Such products are frequently highly poisonous and commonly known as ptomaines."

"Ptomaine poisoning results when a class of food known as protoid, of which meat is the most important type, is consumed after being acted upon by bacteria. In order to produce the greatest amount of poison, it is necessary for such bacteria to be inclosed within the food and not directly exposed to air. Most cases of ptomaine poisoning, therefore, occur with food that has been chopped, hashed, ground, or otherwise disintegrated, thus carrying bacteria to the interior."

"Sauces and preparations such as creamed chicken, meat pie, Irish stew, etc., are among the most frequent to cause ptomaine poisoning for that reason. Some of the seafoods as clams, oysters, etc., frequently contain large numbers of bacteria in their interior and may also produce ptomaine poisoning when exposed to conditions under which bacteria multiply rapidly. Recently in one instance over 40 persons were made sick from eating creamed chicken that had been served at a public supper two days after it had been prepared. In another instance about 60 people were made seriously ill by eating meat pie under similar conditions."

"It appears to be a common practice before church suppers, picnics and similar functions to prepare the meats a couple of days before hand in order to avoid a rush at the last minute. It is largely due to this practice that ptomaine poisoning at such functions is so frequent. There would be nothing wrong in cooking any kind of meat product a day or two before it is served if the cooks would let it alone and leave it covered in the original vessel in which it was boiled until ready for use. But in attempting to transfer or handle the product, bacteria are pretty sure to be introduced and lack of refrigeration permits the bacteria to multiply and produce the poisonous byproducts that will destroy the bacteria themselves but will not ordinarily destroy the ptomaine they have produced."

"The twentieth century has been with us for some time," says D. E. McClure, assistant secretary of the state board of health, "but the twentieth century city is several years behind. It is on the way and it will arrive. It is a matter of evolution, just as all changes are a matter of either evolution or revolution."

"Improvements in municipal governments are slow to establish. This is due to poor leadership, foreign elements unused to liberty and a low civic standard."

"The movement from country to city is not confined to the United States although we are rapidly becoming a nation of cities. The grave problem confronting many nations now is the city where wealth is being amassed and it is there that the highest order of intelligence is needed to confront problems which threaten our national life."

"The increase of wealth within the past half century is simply enormous. There has been a like increase of knowledge but often wealth and knowledge have been hoarded up—have not been placed in circulation."

"The development of the United States has been along state and national lines rather than along municipal lines and this is so today. The principles of national and state government are well settled and clearly defined but those of municipal government are confused and uncertain. We are as yet in the experimental stage and need the insight and genius of the highest statesmanship to solve the new and complex problems of the city."

"Homes are disappearing in the city at the two social extremes. Among the 'money bags' hotel and club life is being substituted for home life. At the other extreme we have the tenements."

"The housing problem must have attention. We must also have more parks and playgrounds where we can teach children from the home of equal. Then the 20th century city will become a dominating, sanitary, civil-moral force in state and national life."

Attorney General Fellows rendered an opinion to the effect that state revenue money cannot be used for making repairs on roads, but be used to pay the principal on the bonds issued to pay the original cost of the road. The case from Schoolcraft county was referred to the attorney general by State Highway Commissioner Rogers. It appears that Schoolcraft county operates under the county highway system and raised money by taxation to pay the bonds issued to construct the road. Now the county wants to use the state reward for repairs, but Fellows says the reward cannot be diverted to any other fund, and may be used only to pay the principal of the bonds.

According to Attorney General Fellows, adenoids can be classified as a malady and can be treated under the direction of the judge of probate in cases where the parents of the child are too poor to furnish medical attention.

State Fire Marshal Winslow says that 25 of the 174 fires in Michigan last month were caused by defective chimneys and the property loss due to fires originating from defective chimneys was \$76,906.25. There were 33 fires of unknown origin which did damage to the extent of \$53,840.64.

Word has been received at the university by President Hutchins that the following Michigan men have passed the Rhodes scholarship examination, held here a short time ago: H. Kroodema, Zeeland; W. F. Renne, Hillsdale; L. Hekhuis, Holland; J. P. Cook, Alma; L. J. Kennedy, Detroit. The committee will select one of these to attend Oxford.

A precedent that an employee of a subcontractor can receive compensation from the company employing the subcontractor was set when the Industrial accident board ordered the Johannesburg Lumber company to pay compensation to Mrs. Jessie Harrington because her husband was killed when struck by a falling tree.

Samuel Curtis for many years superintendent of the Acme chair factory at Reading, was caught between two cars and crushed to death.

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WILL NOT URGE SUFFRAGE CAUSE

PRESIDENT WILSON REFUSES OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT TO THE REFORM.

LIMITS HIMSELF TO PLEDGE OF PLATFORM.

Delegation of Women Who Call on the Chief Executive Are Told That He Cannot Urge Cause Upon Congress.

Washington—President Wilson on Monday told a delegation from the National American Women's Suffrage association that he favored a standing woman's suffrage committee in the house of representatives, but he denied their request that he send a special message to congress urging the reform.

Marching by twos and fours, with banners aloft, the suffragists braved chill winds of a raw day to storm the White House offices. They were soon ushered into the president's private office and formed in a circle about Mr. Wilson.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the association, summarized briefly their appeal to the president to assist the movement either by sending a special message to congress by including reference to suffrage in any general message he might deliver, or by using his influence to have a special committee of the house appointed to consider the subject.

"I want you ladies, if possible," said the president to the delegation, "if I can make it clear to you, to realize just what my present situation is. Whenever I walk abroad I realize that I am not a free man. I am under arrest. I am so carefully and admirably guarded that I have not even the privilege of walking the streets. That is, as it were, typical of my present transference, from being an individual with his mind on any and every subject, to being an official of a great government, and incidentally, so it falls out, under our system of government, the spokesman of a party."

"I set myself this very strict rule when I was governor of New Jersey, and have followed it as president, and I shall follow it as president—that I am not at liberty to urge upon congress in messages, policies which have not had the organic consideration of those for whom I am spokesman."

Dear of Cardinals Dead.

Rome—Cardinal Luigi Oreglia, dean of the Sacred college, died here of pneumonia.

He was 88 years old and was the only surviving cardinal created by Pope Pius IX. He was born at Bene Vagienna, diocese of Mondovi, July 9, 1828. He was created and proclaimed a cardinal by Pope Pius IX on December 22, 1873.

He was bishop of Ostia and Velletri arch-chancellor of the Roman university and prefect of the congregation of ceremonies.

Michigan Law Is Upheld.

Washington—Declaring Michigan's public utilities law valid, the supreme court Monday affirmed the authority of the Michigan state railway commission to prescribe switching and terminal regulations.

Lower federal courts dismissed suits of the Grand Trunk railway and the Grand Haven & Milwaukee railway to enjoin the orders and also attacked the constitutionality of the statute.

The human toll of the fall hunting sport in upper Michigan, opening when ducks became legal game, and ending with the close of the deer season, according to an authentic tabulation, shows 14 persons were killed and 31 wounded, many seriously.

The burning of the tipple of the Monitor coal mine in Bay county Thursday night has thrown 140 miners out of work and not until February will they be able to resume mining. 2.1 mines are running to capacity, but there are no positions for any additional miners, so these men will be idle.

Helen Keller will lecture at Ann Arbor, January 15th, under the auspices of the Collegiate Alumnae association. The lecture will be given in the new Hill auditorium, Miss Keller's subject will be "The Right Use of Our Senses." She will be accompanied by Mrs. Macy, who was formerly Miss Sullivan, her former teacher.

Battle Creek proposes to establish a municipal market. The plan is to invite farmers and others to sell direct to consumers in this market. Retail merchants are opposed to the plan.

A precedent that an employee of a subcontractor can receive compensation from the company employing the subcontractor was set when the Industrial accident board ordered the Johannesburg Lumber company to pay compensation to Mrs. Jessie Harrington because her husband was killed when struck by a falling tree.

Samuel Curtis for many years superintendent of the Acme chair factory at Reading, was caught between two cars and crushed to death.

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MARKETS

Live Stock, Grain and General Farm Produce.

Detroit Live Stock.
DEKROIT.—Cattle—Receipts, 348; market strong; best steers and heifers, \$7.75@8; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs., \$7.25@7.75; steers and heifers, 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$7@7.50; steers and heifers that are fat, 600 to 800 lbs., \$6.25@6.75; steers and heifers that are fat, 500 to 700 lbs., \$6@6.75; choice fat cows, \$6@6.25; good fat cows, \$5.50@5.85; common cows, \$4.50@5.25; canners, \$2.50@4; choice heavy bulls, \$6.25@6.50; fair to good bologna bulls, \$5.75@6.25; stock bulls, \$5@5.25; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$6.75@7; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$6.50@6.75; choice stockers, 500 to 700 lbs., \$6.25@6.50; fair stockers, 500 to 700 lbs., \$6@6.25; young heifers, \$5.50@6; milkers, large young, medium age, \$7@100; common milkers, \$4@6@60.
Veal calves—Receipts, 381; market steady; best, \$11@11.50; others, \$9@10.50.
Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 3,865; market active and 10@150 higher; best lambs, \$7.75; fair to good lambs, \$7.25@7.50; light to common lambs, \$6@6.75; fair to good steers, \$14@14.25; culls and common, \$2.50@3.
Hogs—Receipts, 5,091; market very dull, packers stopping at \$7.60; good many left unsold. Range of prices: Light to good butchers, \$7.60; pigs, \$7.60; light Yorkers, \$7.60; heavy, \$7.60.

East Buffalo Markets.
EAST BUFFALO.—Cattle—Receipts 160 cars; all handy weight grades sold 10@15c higher; other grades steady to strong; best 1,350 to 1,450-lb steers, natives, \$8.50@8.75; one extra load holiday cattle, \$9.15; best 1,200 to 1,300-lb steers, natives, \$8.25@8.50; best 1,100 to 1,200-lb steers, natives, \$7.75@8.15; coarse and plain weighty steers, natives, \$7.25@7.50; best Canada steers, 1,350 to 1,450 lbs., \$8.25@8.75; do, 1,150 to 1,250 lbs., \$7.25@7.75; choice handy steers, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$8@8.50; fair to good steers, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$7.25@7.75; best cows, \$6.50@7; butcher cows, \$5.25@7.75; cutters, \$4.25@4.75; trimmers, \$3.25@3.75; very common old rima, \$2.75@3.25; best heifers, \$7.15@7.50; medium butcher heifers, \$6.35; stock heifers, \$5@5.25; common light heifers, \$4@4.25; best feeding steers, dehorned, \$7.25@7.50; fair to good do, \$6.50@6.75; fancy stock steers, \$6.50; best stock steers, \$5.75@6.25; common light stock steers, \$5.25@5.50; best heavy bulls, \$7.75@7.25; best butchers bulls, \$6.50@7; bologna bulls, \$5.75@6.25; stock bulls, common to good, \$5@6; best milkers and springers, \$7.50@100; medium to good, \$6@7@70.
Hogs: Receipts, 140 cars; market active, 10c higher; all grades, \$8; few, \$8.05.
Sheep and lambs: Receipts, 88 cars; market strong; top lambs, \$9.15@9.25; culls to fair, \$5.50@6; yearlings, \$6@6.50; wethers, \$5@5.25; ewes, \$4.25@4.75.
Calves strong, \$5@12.

Grains Etc.
DETROIT.—Wheat—Cash No. 2 red, 99c; December opened with a drop of 1-4c at 98 1-2c and advanced to 99c; May opened at \$1.03 3-4, advanced to \$1.04 1-4 and closed at \$1.04; No. 1 white, 99c.
Corn—Cash, No. 3, 68@69c; No. 3 yellow, 71c; No. 4 yellow, 67c; sample heating, 1 car at 50c.
Rye—Cash, No. 2, 66c.
Beans—Immediate, prompt and December shipment, \$1.90; January, \$1.95.
Cloverseed—Prime spot, \$9.90; December, \$9.90; March, \$9; sample red, 20 bags at \$8.50, 35 at \$8.25, 20 at \$7.75; prime alkali, \$12@13; sample alkali, 14 bags at \$9.75, 12 at \$8.75.
Timothy—Prime spot, \$2.50.
Alfalfa—Prime spot, \$7.25.
Barley—Sample, 1 car at \$1.40 per cwt.

Hay—Carlots, track Detroit: No. 1 timothy, \$18@18.50; standard, \$15@15.50; No. 2 timothy, \$14.50@15; light mixed, \$15@15.50; No. 1 mixed, \$13.50@14; No. 1 clover, \$13@13.50; rye straw, \$8@8.50; wheat and oat straw, \$7@7.50 per ton.
Flour—in one-eighth paper sacks, per 195 pounds, jobbing lots; Best patent, \$5.30; second patent, \$4.80; straight, \$4.50; spring patent, \$5.10; rye, \$4.40 per bbl.
Feed—in 100-lb sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, 22c; coarse middlings, \$27; fine middlings, \$27; cracked corn, \$31; coarse cornmeal, \$30; corn and oat chop, \$28.50 per ton.

General Markets.
Potatoes—in bulk, 60@65c per bu; in sacks, 70@75c per bu for carlots.
Dressed Calves—Fancy, 12 1-2@13c; common, 10@11c per lb.
Onions—\$1.15 per bu, \$2.25 per sack of 100 lbs; Spanish, \$1.40 per crate.
Cabbage—\$2@2.25 per bbl.
Tomatoes—Hothouse, 20@25c per lb.
Dressed Hogs—\$10@10.50 per cwt.
Sweet Potatoes—Jersey kiln-dried, \$1.35 per crate.
Nuts—Chestnuts, 15c per lb; shell-bark hickory, \$2@2.25 per bu; large hickory, \$1.50@1.75 per bu; Spanish chestnuts, 8@9c per pound.
Live Poultry—Spring chickens, 14@15c; hens, 13@14c; No. 2 hens, 9c; old roosters, 8c; turkeys, 17@18c; geese, 13@14c; ducks, 14@15c per lb.
Cheese—Wholesale lots: Michigan Cheddar, 15@16c; New York Ch

HOME DEPARTMENT OF THE AVALANCHE

FEATURES OF INTEREST AND VALUE TO THE WOMEN IN THE HOMES OF GRAYLING AND CRAWFORD COUNTY.

The ONLOOKER
HENRY HOWLAND
MANANAAGRICULTURAL EDUCATION
IN WESTERN CANADATHE LATEST METHODS ADOPTED
BY THE AGRICULTURAL
COLLEGES.

Scientific farming can be pursued with more profit and advantage in Western Canada, probably than in any other portion of the continent. What may be achieved by it may be ascertained when it is known what has been accomplished by the thousands who have been following the occupation for some time and made a success of it with not even a theoretical knowledge. They "have tickled the land with a hoe" and become rich. But the question is how long could that continue. The soil and the climate and every other condition favor great results by a pursuit of such methods as a technical and practical knowledge will bring. There is in the writer's opinion no possibility of failure. Fully aware of this and also of the great possibilities that exist in Western Canada for the following of the profession of farming, as it could be developed and carried on in Western Canada, the various governments have established the machinery, that there may be developed a class of farmers, who in the possession of the rich soil of that country, with its abundant humus and its phosphates and other properties with which it is so largely endowed, will make of the country the greatest farming portion of the known world.

The Dominion government showed its paternalism years ago when it established experimental farms in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The benefits of these in the matter of practical education have been widespread, but the greatest benefit is to be observed in the immediate vicinity of these farms, where the occupants have brought their holdings into a high state of cultivation, and year after year see an added value.

The Province of Manitoba is supplementing this work by its excellent agricultural college, manned by professors of the highest standing in their various branches. That this work is appreciated is shown by the large attendance, not only of the farmer's sons, but by the farmer himself and also by the sons of business men and professors who intend following farming as a profession, and that is what it is fast becoming.

The Province of Saskatchewan, alive to the necessity of a higher and a better system of farming, has in connection with its university an agricultural college and what it is doing today in the matter of education will be felt for all time to come, and it will not be long before it will be an easy matter to pick out the farms manned by graduates of this college, or the farms owned by those who have gained from the experience taught by their neighbor.

The same may be said of Alberta. The university at Edmonton has a complete agricultural college. Full advantage of this is taken by hundreds of students anxious to better their agricultural knowledge, and fit them to take hold successfully of the lands that they expect to occupy. This province has also added demonstration farms in various parts, which are very successful, inasmuch as farmers visit them from all parts and take advantage of educating themselves for short periods during each winter.

Dean Curtis of Ames Agricultural College, Iowa, says: "We of the United States think that we know how to get behind agriculture and push, but the Canadians dare to do even more than we do in some respects. They have wonderful faith in the future; they hesitate at no undertaking that offers prospects of results. More significant still is the wide co-operation for agricultural promotion, including the government, private individuals and corporations and the railroads."

"Canadians are putting great faith in education for the development of their resources—not the old education, but vocational and technical. Provinces that have less than half the population of Iowa and much less wealth are appropriating more liberally for colleges and schools. Manitoba, for instance, has in the last two years provided about as much money for the building of an agricultural plant as Iowa has appropriated in half a century. It has given in two years \$2,500,000 for buildings and grounds for its agricultural institutions."

"Saskatchewan is building a plant for its university and agricultural college on a broader and more substantial plan than has been applied to any similar institution in this country. Yet neither province has more than half a million population."

"For public schools equally generous provision is made. They are being built up to give vocational and technical training as well as cultural. They fit the needs of the country excellently and should turn out fine types of boys and girls. They do this with a remarkable faith in the value of right education."

"Dean Curtis was much interested in the many other ways the Canadian government aids agriculture, aside from appropriations for educational purposes. They are aiding in solving marketing problems; they are encouraging better breeding of livestock by buying sires and reselling them at cost, and they are doing many other things of like character."

"I found that the government is advancing from 50 to 55 per cent. of the money necessary to build co-operative creameries and elevators," said Dean Curtis, "and it is doing it at a low rate of interest and on long time payments. Where cattle need breeding up, the government buys bulls of dairy, Shorthorn, or special dairy breeds and sends them in at cost price and on long time payments."

"The yield of grain in Western Canada in 1912 was excellent but not abnormal, wheat going from 20 to 45 bushels per acre, and other small grain with equally good averages. Advancement."

Aboard Ship.
Steward—A Macaronigram for you, miss.
Pretty Girl—Just ask them to hold the wire.



Tomorrow, you say, you will bravely endeavor:
Tomorrow your start will be made,
You will merit distinction tomorrow, however.

The weak and the worthless are away:
With pride in your heart
You will solemnly start
On the way that is trod by the great:
Tomorrow you promise to merit regard,
But tomorrow the way may be stubbornly barred.

Tomorrow your follies, you say, shall be ended:
Tomorrow the change shall be wrought,
You will start for the heights that are distant and splendid.

And temples shall hinder you not;
With zeal and with pride
You will cast them aside
Who, flatterers, beg you to stay:
But tomorrow the glorious chance may be gone.

Why wait for the far-off tomorrow to dawn?
Why squander today?

History.
"But your country is so new," complained the foreigner. "You have no tradition, no history."
"We haven't, eh? Say, our country is so old and its history is so long that there isn't one citizen out of a thousand who can remember the names of half the presidents we've had, to say nothing of the names of the people who have at various times thought they were running for president."

His Claim Made Good.
"When I die," said the candidate, reaching his grand climax, "let them put but three words upon my tomb. I ask no more. I shall rest in peace if above me are carved the simple words: 'He was honest.'"
"Yah," said a little man at the back end of the hall, "I've always claimed you'd take your nerve right down with you to the grave."

Her Short-Sighted Parents.
"Somehow," said the boy giant, "I can't even look at the bearded lady without laughing."
"I don't see anything funny about her," replied the Christiana beauty from Philadelphia, Ohio.
"Mebby you haven't heard that her first name is Queenie."

The Solemn Truth.
"Time is money." This may be true. And money has wings, they say. I've never had much of a chance to see. But from what I've observed it appears to me
That it always flies away.
They say money talks. It may—
The adage I'll not deny;
But the words it use, alas, are few. I have noticed—perhaps you have noticed, too—
That it merely says: "Good-by!"

Worldliness.
"Bunsby claims to be a man of the world."
"Yes."
"Has he traveled much?"
"No, but he once lived in New York for three months."

Business.
"Surely you sympathize with this noble movement," said the lady who was soliciting subscriptions.
"Yes," replied the brusque old capitalist of industry, "but we ain't got no tariff on sympathy in this country."

As to Reaching.
"The easiest method of reaching a man," she sarcastically insinuated, "is by way of his stomach."
"And the most effective method of reaching a woman," he calmly replied, "is by way of the jewelry store."

The Height of Absurdity.
"Your scheme is foolish."
"Foolish?"
"Yes, sir, absolutely foolish. As foolish as—well, as foolish as the libretto of a grand opera."

One.
"There's nothing in the world that quite satisfies Bingle."
"Yes there is."
"What is it?"
"Bingle."

Grim.
The merchant's views are very grim. They are, alas!
All women live, it seems to him, To bring things back.

Universal.
"There is one thought which comes daily to every man."
"What's that?"
"That nothing is too good for him."

In These Days.
We are reliably informed that money comes easy. After a man has saved his first million dollars.

No Room
for JesusBy REV. FARLEY E. ZARTMANN, D.D.
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TEXT:—Because there was no room for them in the inn.—Luke 11.



Another Christmas will be here soon, and in many lands devout Christians will sing the Christmas story; churches will be filled with splendor, hearts with love and life with gladness.

But let us consider the first Christmas, the tragedy of it, and the reception given to him who came to be Israel's Messiah and the world's Savior.

No room in the inn. Is there a more pathetic sentence anywhere in the Scriptures? The humble peasants who had come from Galilee and who sought shelter in one of the village caravansaries were denied this privilege; so they both took shelter in a stable; and there Jesus was born. No room for the King! The pathos of it is almost too deep for words.

But that was always the answer while Jesus was alive; he himself described it when he said: "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head. Misunderstood at home, neglected by his friends, deserted by his disciples, betrayed by one of them, and crucified by the rulers—Nasareth, Capernaum, Jerusalem—no room for Jesus."

Through the centuries it has been the same; that first night on earth was a prophecy, for in spite of apostles, martyrs, saints and reformers Jesus had not found room in religious, political, social or individual spheres of life in the case of the millions who have gone on their way either unheeding or indifferent. O the tragedy of the centuries—no room for Jesus. The Lord of all despised by the many. The region of outer darkness is filled with those who said, "We will not have this one rule over us; depart; no room for the King!"

"Room for pleasure, room for business. But for Christ the crucified. Not a place that he can enter; in your heart for which he died?"

No room for Jesus. It is true today. Christ is not wanted, and the Bethlehem story repeats itself. In the city life proof is found in the legalized saloon and all that goes with it, in corrupt and vicious government, in loose laws and looser enforcement, in dishonest business, in social laxity and impurity. In many homes evidence is seen in the character of the books in the library, the pictures upon the walls, carelessness, ill-temper and profane language and conversation, and the ungodly habits of parents and the irreverence and disobedience of children. He who came to make home life heaven has been denied his place.

And just as our knowledge about this Jesus is greater than in that time, so is our responsibility heavier, our shame deeper, our sin greater. "We know him in all the light which his word and which all subsequent history cast upon him. We know him too—and this is our weightiest responsibility—in the claims which are set up externally by the Cross of Calvary." What will we say to him in the end?

What is wrong? Why do we keep Christ out? Why are our hearts closed against him? Is it opposition? No, not usually. Let us look at Bethlehem, for there is a slight parallel. Any Jewish mother however humble would have rejoiced at the great honor which came to Mary, and any home however lowly would have been made ready for Jesus. Any ruler, rabbi, or priest then in Bethlehem would have taken any step necessary to welcome Jesus, if he had known. But it was a time when every available space was taken by pilgrims, these peasants did not look like promising guests, people were pre-occupied with what they considered weightier matters, and so literally Christ was crowded out; even in the public place, there was no room in the inn—the inn was full.

Bethlehem will rise up and condemn us. If it had known the day of its visitation, room would have been made for Jesus, he would have had a royal reception. But you know about him; he has sent word to you; he has been waiting for a place in your heart; you know who he is and what he will do for you; you have heard the story of his love and grace and power, and still—no room for Jesus.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock." Will you not let him in? I said this text was the most pathetic verse in the Bible; but it is not so pathetic as the tragedy of the men and women of today who are pre-occupied with the world, the flesh and the devil, and who in wilful and culpable rejection crowd Christ out of their lives, who give themselves over to the things of time and sense and send Christ to the stable. Come, now, and let us reason together.

Milady in Gold Attire



JUST as gorgeous and just as beautiful as it can be, this gown in one of the many wonderful gold shades shows the cleverest handling of the most extreme ideas in this winter's modes.

The skirt of panne velvet of the softest and most supple variety is made on the "Turkish trouser" model. About all its fullness is arranged at the front. There is no mistaking the appearance it makes on the wearer. It looks actually more like a pair of voluminous trousers than like our ordinary skirts.

The pannier and bodice in one, with soft crushed girdle of velvet, is a wonderful garment. The drapery is arranged in two over-hanging panniers, broadening the hips and hanging into the figure at the bottom. The bodice is cut with a kimono sleeve, apparently, although it is hard to be sure of this. At all events, the arm's-eye is not discernible in it. The sleeve is lengthened until it covers the wrist and extends in a point over the back of the hand. Such sleeves are the height of styles.

This costume is an achievement of which the designer has a right to be proud. It manages difficult problems

CREPE AND CHIFFON
FOR ACCESSORIES
THAT MATCH HAT

IN keeping with the ideas of the season, which show a preference for muffs and neck pieces to match the hat, crepe has been utilized to make very chic accessories to be worn with mourning millinery. The most popular fashions in hats, as to shape and deco-



ration, lend themselves with unusual appropriateness to this material. The crepe set of three pieces, hat, muff and scarf, shown in this picture, illustrates how successfully this beautiful fabric may be used in this way.

Except for the silk lining of the muff, no other material is required to make and trim the several pieces, except a strip of rather heavy chiffon which forms the scarf. The ornaments on each piece are fashioned of the crepe.

The KITCHEN
CABINET

AE treasure nor pleasures
Could make us happy long;
The heart aye's the part aye
That makes us right or wrong.
—Robert Burns.

THE FAVORITE CHOCOLATE.

A quick dessert is Dresden crumbs. Mix a cupful of bread crumbs with half a cupful of grated chocolate, two tablespoonfuls of sugar and a pinch of salt. Put in a moderate oven and bake until the crumbs are hot and the chocolate melted. Serve with sweetened whipped cream.

Chocolate Cream Filling.—Mix in a bowl one cup of thick cream, half a teaspoonful of vanilla and two tablespoonfuls of grated chocolate and four tablespoonfuls of sugar.

Chocolate Pancakes.—Beat two eggs, add four tablespoonfuls of chocolate grated, half a cup of milk, half a cup of flour and two tablespoonfuls of sugar. If sweet chocolate is used the sugar may be omitted. Beat well and fry. Roll up and sprinkle with powdered sugar. Serve at once.

Chocolate Bread Pudding.—Soak a cup of bread crumbs in a quart of milk, add a cup of sugar, two squares of grated chocolate and the well beaten yolks of three eggs. Pour into a buttered pudding dish and put into the oven to bake, stirring often to keep the chocolate from rising to the top. When baked, spread with a meringue made of the stiffly beaten whites of the eggs and three tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar.

Chocolate Pie.—Melt in a saucepan four ounces of grated chocolate. When it begins to soften, add a half cupful of hot milk, the yolks of three well beaten eggs and a half cup of sugar, one teaspoonful of butter and one tablespoonful of cornstarch dissolved in a little cold milk. Bring to the boiling point, stirring constantly, then let it cool. Stir in the stiffly beaten white of one egg and pour into baked crust. With the other two whites, add two tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar, pile on top and brown slightly.

Chocolate Cake.—This is one enough for any company. Cream one and a fourth cupful of butter, add a pound of brown sugar, one cupful of white sugar, the well beaten yolks of six eggs, one cupful of sweet milk, two cupfuls of flour sifted with three teaspoonfuls of baking powder, a third of a cake of chocolate grated, one whole lemon grated, one teaspoonful each of cloves, allspice and cinnamon. One pound of chopped raisins, a fourth of a pound of blanched and sliced almonds and the stiffly beaten whites added last.

The art of seeing things is not something that may be conveyed in rules and precepts; it is a matter vital in the eye and ear, yea, in the mind and soul of which these are the organs. I have as little hope of being able to teach the reader how to see things as I would have him trying to tell him how to fall in love or to enjoy his dinner. Either he does or he does not, and that is all there is about it.
—John Burroughs.

SOME "BEST" RECIPES.

These dishes are all successful ones and will be highly satisfactory if made according to directions.

Lemon Milk Sherbet.—The juice of three lemons, a pint of sugar and a quart of rich milk frozen, will make a smooth and delicious frozen dessert. A little of the grated rind of a lemon may be added if the flavor is liked.

Rice Pudding.—Put a quarter of a cup of rice with a half cup of raisins and a quarter of a cup of sugar into a quart of milk in a baking pan. Put into the oven and bake for three hours. A little cinnamon or nutmeg may be added, if liked, but this is a pudding that is hard to spoil. Stir for the first hour of cooking, so that the rice is well mixed in the milk.

Bolled Loaf Pudding.—Cut the crust from a pound loaf of bread and press as many raisins into the loaf with the fingers as it will hold without breaking. Make a custard of a pint of milk, a quarter of a cup of sugar and two eggs, and lay the bread in this uncooked custard. When it is all absorbed, put the loaf into a floured pudding cloth and drop it carefully into boiling water, for twenty minutes' cooking. Serve with a sauce made of two tablespoonfuls of butter, a cup of powdered sugar, a little vanilla and a few tablespoonfuls of milk, or better, cream. Melt the sauce over hot water, stirring constantly.

Chicken Jelly.—Chop a fowl, bones and all, until fine, cover with two quarts of water, and let simmer for six hours, then strain, skim off all the fat, when cold, and the jelly may

then be seasoned and served in a number of ways. Mace or parsley, with salt and pepper, may be added while cooking, to the fowl, if so desired.

The honor of our life
Derives from this: to have a certain aim
Before us always, which our will must seek
Amid the peril of uncertain ways.
Then, though we miss the goal, our search is crowned
With courage, and along the path we find
A rich reward of unexpected things.
—Henry Van Dyke.

GOOD THINGS, OLD AND NEW.

The following is an old recipe: Honey Cakes.—Take one quart of strained honey, add one-half pint of sugar, the same amount of melted butter, one teaspoonful of soda dissolved in one-half cupful of hot water, half a grated nutmeg and one teaspoonful of ginger. Mix all together and add enough flour to roll out. Cut with a cookie cutter and bake in a moderate oven.

Tomatoes and Chipped Beef.—Brown a tablespoonful of butter in a frying pan. Peel and slice two ripe tomatoes, fold in flour, season with salt and a sprinkling of cayenne, and fry five minutes in butter, turning to cook both sides. A little sliced onion can be added if desired. Over this spread evenly one cupful of chipped beef; cover closely and cook twenty minutes without stirring.

Cottage Soup.—Put into a saucepan a tablespoonful of sweet drippings; when quite hot add a half pound from the neck of mutton, cut in small pieces. Put them and the bones into the fat and fry, turning until well browned. Cut up one carrot and one turnip into small pieces, two large onions cut fine, added to the meat. Keep turning until all are well mixed, then add a cupful of rice and a teaspoonful each of sugar and salt. Cook for five minutes, then add two and a half quarts of water. Put on the lid and boil for an hour. Add pepper and salt when ready to serve.

A Pretty Salad.—Lay a half of a pear on a crisp leaf of lettuce, put eight maraschino cherries and four small cream cheese balls around the pear, and cover with French dressing.

English Dessert.—Cut bananas lengthwise into halves, spread with jam; put together again and lay on a plate; cover with whipped cream and serve.

The jam roll takes the place of the jelly roll and is equally as good. Pork chops baked with potatoes makes a most tasty dish. Put sufficient sliced potatoes, well salted, in a baking dish, pour on water and lay on the chops. Turn chops once while baking. The drippings season the potatoes.

Stand upright, speak thy thoughts, declare
The truth thou hast, that all may share;
Be bold, proclaim it everywhere;
They only live who dare.
—Lewis Morris.

ECONOMICAL RECIPES.

Buy beef ribs, cover them with a quart of water, a half can of tomatoes, a sliced onion, a red pepper minced and five whole cloves. Season with salt and cover closely. Simmer for three hours.

Gingerbread.—Mix together a half cup of lard and a cup of brown sugar; add a half teaspoonful of cinnamon and one teaspoonful of ginger. In a cupful of boiling water dissolve a teaspoonful of soda. Sift three cupfuls of flour with a teaspoonful of baking powder. Add the boiling water and soda the last thing.

Baked Cheese Puff.—Grease a pudding dish and put into it a layer of sliced bread with a slice of cheese on each slice. Beat one egg light, stir into it a pint of milk, salt slightly and pour the milk over the bread and cheese. Set in the oven and bake until lightly browned, then serve at once. This is a simple wholesome dish and makes a nutritious one to take the place of meat.

Coffee Tapioca Pudding.—Soak a cupful of tapioca in water and put over the fire in a double boiler with a pint of coffee left from the last meal. Cook until clear, then stir in sugar to taste. Serve hot with sugar and cream.

Codfish Rolls.—Mix together mashed potato and shredded codfish, season with butter, pepper and salt, if needed. Form the mixture into rolls the size of the second finger and fry in hot fat. Serve with a white sauce garnished with parsley.

Nellie Maxwell.

In the see of Massachusetts who was conducted to the pulpit, and a few hours later the house of deputies elected to its chair the present rector of the Boston Church that is Phillips Brooks' memorial.

The Difference.
"Matzie's new doctor says she is suffering from a mild form of cutaneous affection."
"And that other doctor declared she had nothing the matter with her but a little skin trouble."

Episcopal History Repeated.
It's almost forgotten now, but the election of Phillips Brooks to the episcopate stirred up a sudden commotion in ecclesiastical high places that was lively while it lasted. One scholarly prelate, of pronounced views, filed a formal and solemn protest against the great preacher's consecration, alleging that he was unlearned in doctrine and a "fauter" (favorer) of Unitarians. When sermon time came in the cathedral on Morningtide Heights Brooks' likeminded successor

"Good Things to Eat"

For that Big Christmas Dinner.

CAMPBELL'S SOUP and Sunshine Krispy Crackers

HAM

JELLIES and MEAT SAUCES

SWEET POTATOES

IRISH POTATOES

ALL THE SEASONS VEGETABLES
Fresh or Canned

FRESH LETTUCE and CELERY

MINCE MEAT and PUMPKIN



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JELLYCON for Fruit Salad

BRINK'S RECEPTION TEA

COFFEE

COCOA

Twenty Varieties of Cookies and Fancy Wafers

GRAPES ORANGES BANANAS APPLES

DATES FIGS MIXED NUTS

RAISINS CANDIES of all kinds

Let us have your
Orders early.

Brink's Grocery

Where Quality, Weight and
Measure are Guaranteed.

Local News

The Concert Favorites will be at the Temple theatre tonight.

Your gifts will be appreciated if bought at Grayling Mercantile Co.'s.

J. Fogelsonger is the new apprentice at the Frank Gierke barber shop.

Don't forget the supper given by the Danish Church society tonight, at Danebod hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Lamb returned Monday afternoon from Bay City, where they spent the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kaplan, of Detroit, were guests of Mrs. A. Kraus on Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Davidson and son Gordon were in Bay City the latter part of last week, to visit the former's aunt who is seriously ill with paralysis.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Conklin attended the funeral of their brother-in-law, Daniel McFadden, at Bay City Saturday. They returned home Saturday night.

A handsome art calendar will be given away at the Model bakery on Saturday, December 20th. Those wishing to secure one are requested to come in early and register their names. Everybody knows that when Mr. Cassidy gives away a calendar that it is going to be a beauty. This one would be an ornament to any wall.

Make our store your Xmas shopping headquarters. GRAYLING MERC. CO.

Mrs. Geo. Bellanger is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Lucey and little son, of Chicago.

Miss Metha Hatch is a patient at Mercy hospital, having had an attack of appendicitis.

The Messrs. Leon and Seth Chapple returned yesterday after a week's visit in West Branch. Seth went to purchase a horse.

Miss Katherine McPeak arrived from East Tawas on Thursday last. She has been trimming in a millinery shop in that city.

Come and hear Rev. Dr. Dyaient at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening. Quarterly meeting for business Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

Miss Maude Tetu entertained the nurses at Mercy hospital and a few friends at her home Monday evening in honor of Miss Mae Kramer, who returned to her home in Bay City on Tuesday. After music and singing was enjoyed, a feast was spread, the most appetizing feature being the Welsh rarebit.

Mrs. Laura Gierke and daughter, Mrs. C. H. McKinnon arrived on Saturday from East Jordan to visit at the home of their son and brother, A. F. Gierke and family. Mrs. McKinnon returned home Tuesday accompanied by her son Hector, who arrived from Bay City on Monday after spending a few days. Mrs. Gierke will remain for a longer visit.

Cake mixture for the Xmas cake at Brink's grocery.

Mrs. C. M. Hewitt returned from Bay City Friday after a few days' visit.

Charles Bunt, of Vanderbilt, visited friends here on Thursday of last week.

A new addition has been built to the American Express office. Parcel post hasn't seemed to effect their business any.

Mrs. William Fischer and daughter, Miss Lillie, returned on Saturday after a week spent in Saginaw, Bay City and Detroit.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The quest for game in the central states this season has cost the lives of 135 hunters. Of these 28 were Michigan men.

Paul J. Marienthal arrived from New York City on Saturday for a few days visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Brenner. He will go to Chicago this week accompanied by his sister, Miss Ruth Marienthal.

Mrs. Peter Rasmussen, who has spent several months in Denmark, visiting relatives and friends, arrived home on Friday evening last. She was accompanied by her son, Einar, who went to meet her in New York on Thanksgiving day.

Kenneth McLeod had his foot badly crushed, while at work on the section, Friday morning, when a heavy steel rail dropped upon it. He was taken to Mercy hospital, where his foot was attended, and was taken to his home Saturday afternoon. He is getting along nicely.

The Grayling high school football boys were most royally entertained on Saturday evening last with a six o'clock dinner at the home of Miss Margaret Joseph, the Misses Jacobs and Yutzy being hostesses to the boys. The table was decorated with carnations and smilax and the junior girls were waitresses. After a heavy supper, music and singing was enjoyed for a few hours and then all went home, voting it a very pleasant evening and the Misses Jacobs and Yutzy ideal entertainers.

News has come to relatives in this city, of the death of Captain Daniel McFadden, who was found dead on his barge, Monte Duma, near Buffalo harbor, on November 23rd. His death is attributed to heart failure. At that time his wife was visiting her father, John O. Goudrow, of this city, and soon after started on a trip to visit her husband in Buffalo, where they had planned to spend the winter on the boat. The news of his death did not reach her until she arrived at Buffalo. Mr. McFadden was a brother of Mrs. George Langevin, of Lansing, but formerly of Grayling.

Decorate Your Christmas Package

In these days it is almost a matter of obligation to decorate your Christmas package. Let us help you do so. We are offering free to our subscribers a 226 piece Christmas package in connection with a year's subscription, and also the Chicago Weekly Inter Ocean and Farmer and Farm and Home, all three papers, and package for only \$1.90. The package contains an artistic assortment of cards, seals, stamps, tags, stickers and seasonable post cards.

The Youth's Companion Calendar for 1914.

The publishers of The Youth's Companion will, as always at this season, present to every subscriber whose subscription is paid for 1914, a calendar for the new year. It is a gem of calendar-making. The decorative mounting is rich, but it is subordinated to the main purpose to produce a calendar that is useful.

Look!

We own some of the finest improved farms in Minnesota, Wisconsin and North Dakota that we can sell on crop payments. If you want a home we will help you. If you have a piece of city property or a small farm which you wish to exchange for other land, we can use it. We also have a new stock of groceries and chinaware, dry goods, hardware and millinery to exchange for farm land or city property. Write us for particulars. Information cheerfully given. Agents wanted. C. A. BERKINS, St. Paul, Minn. Oct 30 w12

Carnations

75 cents a doz.

Boston Ferns

75 cents each.

Carrots

50 cents per bushel

Parsnips

60 cents per bushel

Cabbage

Red and White.

GREEN HOUSE

LICKED GRAYLING.

West Branch Too Much for Grayling Foot Ballers

From Herald-Times, West Branch: West Branch's foot ball team is coming right along a la M. A. C. and U. M. Friday they went to Grayling to play the high school eleven and won by a score of 34 to 0. The boys evidently believe in hitting the line hard according to that score. This makes the second victory in a week.

To fittingly honor the occasion the young people of Grayling gave a banquet and dance in honor of the visiting team and everybody had one of the best times of their lives. Grayling people are noted for their hospitality and the young people seem to have taken it from their elders.

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Read the Store News for Your Selections.
Many Useful and Sensible Gifts Advertised.

CHRISTMAS TIME

There are more time keepers sold at Christmas time than any other time. The reason is simple—they make the best gifts. We are celebrated for our time keepers—all moderately priced.

C. J. HATHAWAY

JEWELER

You ought to buy this Duck Dakota Now!

The large quantities sold is proof of its real worth.

Lycoming Duck Dakota

Designed to be worn over a sock, and fits the foot closely like a leather shoe. WATERPROOF to the top and used extensively by farmers and miners. Wear this famous rubber and appreciate what real foot comfort is.

MELZE, ALDKERTON SHOE CO.

Wholesale Distributors SAGINAW, MICH.

Local News

Colored sugar for cakes and candies at Brink's.

Order your Red Cross seals from the Boy Scouts and help fight tuberculosis.

George McPeak, who has been working in Mackinaw for several weeks is home again.

Mrs. J. A. Woodburn left for Detroit on Wednesday morning last to visit her daughter, Miss Bertha.

It is impossible to learn the Tango properly without Tango perfume. Buy it at the Lewis Drug store, 12 11 3.

Bert Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw, returned home last week after about two years spent in the west.

Mrs. E. F. Cooper and baby spent a few days with relatives in Roscommon last week, returning home Saturday night.

Mrs. G. E. Sachs and daughters Marion and Virginia, of Lawiston, visited Mrs. E. R. Woodburn on Thursday of last week.

The Messrs. Joseph Lolly and Sidney Burgdorf came up from West Branch Friday night and attended the dance at the opera house.

I will be in my office for tax collecting on every Friday.

12 11 3 M. R. HOPKINS,
Treas. of Beaver Creek Twp.

Lost:—A draft in an envelope, between the court house and M. C. R. R. depot. Name of person who lost it on envelope. Finder please leave at this office.

The biggest bargain you ever had offered on genuine steel die stamped stationery. It is the proper thing for polite correspondence and the price is within the reach of almost everybody. See samples at Avalauche office.

Mr. J. K. Bates returned last Saturday from a two weeks' visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Agnes Hathaway, at Month, Mich. While there Mrs. Hathaway underwent an operation. He says that she is getting along nicely. He also visited Mrs. Benj. Jerome at Grand Rapids.

For the first time in the history of Saginaw the members of the Saginaw Reading club will have a municipal Christmas tree. Arrangements are underway to get the largest Christmas tree obtainable and place it in the court house square. It will be decorated with gifts for the poor.

This office is receiving a great many circulars from mail order whisky houses, who want to sell some good whisky cheap. We are sorry that we cannot take advantage of these glittering offers, but we are anxious to linger awhile longer in this vale of tears, and we would have our doubts about doing so if we imbibed much mail order whisky.

A mistake in F. H. Milks' market advertisement last week is causing that gentleman no end of trouble. We printed that they would sell, among other articles, 10 pounds of beef steak for a dollar. This should have been ten pounds of beef steak for a dollar. The mistake is ours, and we are sorry for the error and the trouble it has caused.

Mr. Dennis Duggan, of Detroit, has been spending the past three months in Waters and vicinity. He is a personal friend of Henry Stephens. Mr. Duggan says he has enjoyed his outing immensely, and says that he got down to mother nature, and lived a simple life, going to bed at 9:00 and was out early mornings, and just "browsing around" where his fancy chose. Northern Michigan seems to agree with Mr. Duggan as he is looking as fine as a picture and feeling even better than that.

Do You Know the Whereabouts of Lucien W. Lyon?

The following letter will explain itself. Any information may be directed to this office.

Postmaster:—
Lovella, Crawford Co., Michigan.

Dear sir:—
I am endeavoring to locate the Lucien W. Lyon, who about the year of 1874 lived near your city and I believe on land described as Lot 1 of Section 18, Township 28N., Range 1W., Crawford county. Any reference, information of assistance you can give me as to his present whereabouts will be greatly appreciated. If you cannot give me any information possibly you can place this letter in the hand of an early settler, who may be able to do so.

Thanking you for an early reply and enclosing postage. I beg to remain,
Respectfully yours,
EDWARD R. HARVEY.

509 Seventh St. Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

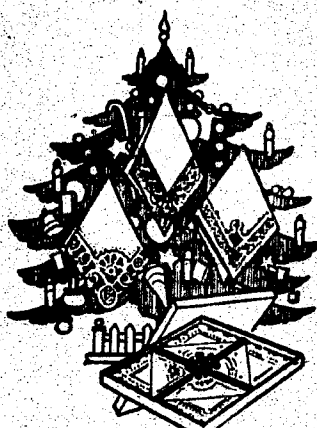
California Woman Seriously Alarmed.

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all Dealers.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Christmas Store House

Great Xmas stocks crowd the walls of this store—useful reasonable articles, fresh from the leading makers of this country and Europe. Each assortment bears the unmistakable hall-mark of distinctive quality, etc., so desirable when selecting gifts. Save time, trouble and money, by coming direct to this Xmas Store House for your Holiday Presents.



Holiday Handkerchiefs

for men, women and children. There are no disappointments because of duplications if you give handkerchiefs—who ever had too many handkerchiefs?

PRICES 5c to \$2.00.

Hosiery

Stylish, servicable gifts in silk for men and women.

Men's Neckwear

Bought expressly for Xmas, hence strictly up-to-date.

The latest for women and children in ruffings, collars, stocks, collar sets, scarfs, jabots, etc.

Christmas Aprons

An attractive specialty with us. Inexpensive but acceptable presents. Maids aprons, tea aprons, fancy bib aprons.

Fancy Linens

Our reputation as the Linen Store adds to the appreciation of your gift if it is bought here. Lunch cloths, lunch sets, table sets, table cloths, napkins, towels and scarfs.

Coats

A limited lot of \$17.50, \$20.00 and \$22.50 coats offered this week for \$15.00. These are most unusual values.

Bags, Suit Cases

What is more practical and suitable for a Xmas gift than a travelling bag or a suit case.

Practically everything in travelling luggage will be found here and we pride ourselves that our prices, quality considered, are the lowest in the city.

Gloves

Best domestic and foreign makes for women and children, for evening, dress, street, automobile, etc.

Infants Wear

The Xmas Mecca for many mothers. Knit toques, sweaters, leggings, booties, mittens, veils, sacques.

Our Xmas Stock

is twice as large as last season, and our heavier buying has made possible still lower prices.

Back Combs, Barrettes

Gems from the most artistic makers—the showing includes gold engraved set with finest quality of imported Rhine stones; also plain side combs and back combs in amber, shell and gray.

Hand Bags

You will derive a lot of satisfaction in choosing gift hand bags from a stock so vastly variegated as this which we so urgently invite you to inspect. We have bags in regular shopping styles with broken and crush bottom. Best grade of morocco, seal, India goat and finest grade of sheep, ranging in price from 50c to \$5.00.

Stylish Footwear

We will not only sell you shoes—we will fit your feet.

See our line of fancy Indian moccasins, for men, women and children, with fancy fur trimming.

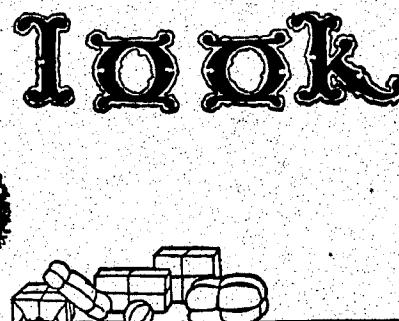


Men's Shirts

Splendid line of men's fancy and working shirts, also collars, cuffs, etc.

For more about our superb stock from which to choose your Xmas Gifts we cordially invite you to call and see for yourself. Make this store your headquarters

A. KRAUS & SON



See
Who
Is
Coming



Cigars

Staple brands of Cigars are just the kind that the men like best so that's why we do not carry anything but staple brands for Xmas. They range in prices as follows:

| | |
|--------|--------|
| \$.25 | \$2.00 |
| .50 | 2.25 |
| 1.00 | 2.50 |
| 1.25 | 3.50 |
| 1.75 | 4.00 |

Don't wait until the last day to buy these cigars—buy now.

Palmer House Cigars

Don't overlook the special price on Palmer House cigars, as we are sole agents and therefore cannot be bought at any other store. From Dec. 20th to Dec. 31st—

\$2.00 only
Regular Price 2.25.

Buy early as our supply is limited.

Christmas Candies



"No Time Like the Present"

Give her a Box of
Morse's NOW

A young lady is instantly impressed with your good taste and knowledge of what is the "very best", when you present her with the Original Morse Style Milk Chocolate Creams. The only boxed chocolates with soft, fluffy, creamy, and double thick coating of rich milk chocolate.

A Guarantee certificate of freshness in each red Morse Box.

We carry a full up-to-date line of candies fresh from the factory, and we guarantee them to be strictly fresh.

We have the largest assortment of any in this line so don't forget to look over our line first.

We also are sole agents for A. G. Morse & Co.—

Milk Chocolates

The prices range as follows:

| | |
|--------|--------|
| \$.25 | \$1.00 |
| .35 | 1.50 |
| .50 | 2.00 |
| .60 | 2.50 |
| .75 | 3.00 |
| .80 | 5.00 |

Buy now because they go fast.

Pipes

How about a nice, new pipe? We have the largest and best assortment of Pipes of all kinds. Just the kind to buy for the man who enjoys a good, pleasant smoke. Prices are as follows:

25c up to \$10.00.

Smoking Tobacco

We are carrying a nice line of smoking tobacco for the pipe smokers put up in nice Xmas packages. Prices are as follows:

1-2 lb. Pkgs. - 45c
1 lb. Pkgs. 50c, 75c, 90c

Cases

We also carry a nice line of cigar cases, cigarette cases and tobacco pouches. Prices range from

50c to \$1.75

Fountain Pens

We have added to our line a fine assortment of genuine A. A. Waterman & Co. fountain pens which are guaranteed to give entire satisfaction and not to leak, if so, we will give you a new pen or your money back. Prices range as follows:

\$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00

Pillow Tops

We have a nice line of pillow tops, and pennants which make splendid Xmas presents. Prices on

Pillow Tops, \$1.50, \$2.00
Pennants, - 25, 50, 75c

Sweet Cream and Ice Cream

Please place orders for sweet cream on Monday the 22nd for delivery on the 24th, as we order only for those who place their order.

Ice cream orders must be on hand the 24th for delivery the 25th, as this store will not be open that day.

Please don't forget this as this is to your benefit.

Sweet Cream per qt. 40c-\$1.00 per gal.
Ice Cream per qt. 35c-\$1.25 per gal.

Brick cream orders must be placed on the 20th or 22nd.

Olaf Sorenson & Sons

Local News

Time for Christmas shopping.

Holger Hanson returned from Grand Rapids on Friday last.

J. E. Crowley was in Cheboygan on business on Thursday of last week.

Small pigs for sale—six to ten weeks old. T. E. Douglas, Lovell.

Miss Clara Lietz is here from Detroit visiting at the home of her brother, Roman Lietz.

Miss Augusta Kraus is assisting in the A. Kraus & Son dry goods store during the holidays.

A year's subscription to the Avalanche to an absent friend would make an ideal Christmas present.

Ed Morrissey, who works at the round house shops, has been absent a few days on account of illness.

If you want any of our transparent china cups at 10 cents each early, they are going fast. SORENSON BROS.

Fire insurance is too cheap to be without. Why are you so negligent? GEO. L. ALEXANDER & SON.

The Model bakery is giving a 100 page school tablet with each 10c loaf every Thursday. Don't forget the day.

Miss Alta Reagan arrived home from Jackson last week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Reagan.

Election of officers of Marvin Post G. A. R. next Saturday evening at the hall. Members please be present. A. L. Pond, Com.

Our assortment of books is the largest and best that has ever been shown in Grayling. All prices. A. M. Lewis & Co.

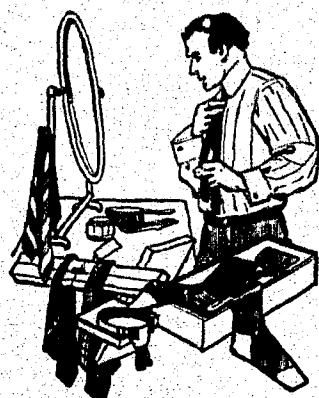
The High School Athletic association will give a sandwich lunch at the school house next Friday afternoon at recess time. The Association cleared \$6.96 at their candy sale last week Saturday.



New Christmas Goods

are arriving daily. We urge you to shop early, while the selections in each department are complete. Every shelf and case is full of gifts that are suitable for presents.

Fancy Shirts, Socks and Ties.



Our assortment is very complete and larger than ever.

A Few Hints That May Be of Use to You in Making Your Selection.

Ladies' Department
Coats, Waists, Shoes, Slippers, Neckwear, Gloves and Mittens, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, etc.

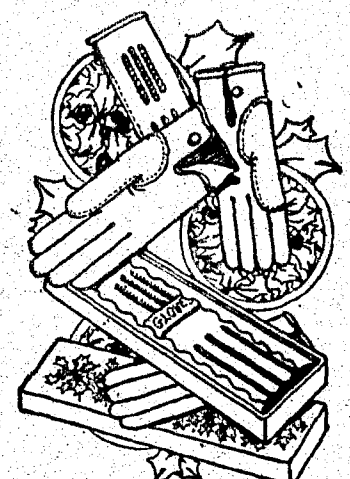
Fancy Linens
of every description, such as Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, etc.

Children's Department
Furs, Dresses, Coats, Shoes, Mitts, Hosiery, Underwear, Ribbons, Bootees, Bonnets, etc.

It Will Interest you
to inspect our line of Heavy Winter Goods, Comforters and Blankets.

Our Glove and Mitten Department

is offering everything from Knit Gloves and Mittens at 25c up to Silk-lined Kid, and Fur Driving Gloves.



Sweaters

for Men, Women and Children—all style collars.



Prices from 50c to \$8.00

Grayling Mercantile Company

Christmas Suggestions.



We Have Books

appropriate for, from the smallest child to Grandma and Grandpa. We put a

Beautiful Xmas Cover

on each book purchased from us during the Holidays.



We carry all the Popular Brands of Cigars

in Xmas packages. We do not have cheap Xmas cigars—only the choicest brands. See us before you buy. Ladies, ask us the brand your husband smokes.

Pipes from 10c to \$5

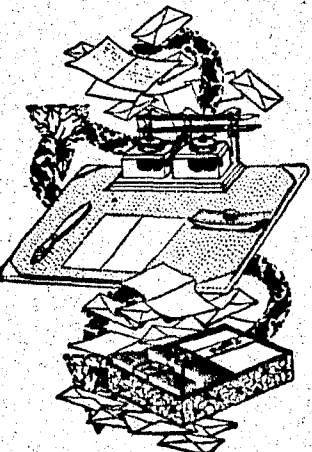
Cigar Cases, Cigarette Cases, Xmas boxes of Tobacco.

Stationery Makes a Nice Present.

We carry the famous Symphony Lawn Line

in all the tints and sizes, also

Beautiful Holly Packages



Our Toilet Sets, Etc.

are more complete this year than ever. We have a nice line of the new goods—

Parisian Ivory.

Pearl Manicure Sets in Roll-up Case. All at

Prices that anyone can afford.



Our Christmas Presents This Year

are selected to suit any taste at all PRICES. We also carry a full line of

Xmas Crepe, Tinsel, Tissue Paper, Candles, Candle Holders, Xmas Decorations, Holly Boxes.

A. M. Lewis & Co.

"The Busy Druggists"



Xmas Candy

In Pretty Boxes

Ranging in Prices from

25c to \$2.00

Per Box.

Fancy Xmas Perfumes

from 25c to \$5.00 per bottle. All put up in pretty packages

Local News

Go to Sorensens' for Christmas goods.

Xmas candles just received at Brink's grocery.

Mrs. William Brennan was in Waters on Tuesday of this week visiting friends.

The young child of Mr. and Mrs. Z. Hollingsworth is very ill. They reside on the Southside.

Mrs. S. S. Phelps Jr. and children spent a couple of days the latter part of last week in Bay City.

Mrs. William Green is spending a few days in Lewiston this week the guest of Miss Gertrude Sachs.

The dance at the opera house last Friday evening, although not very well attended, was an enjoyable affair.

Herb Shoemaker left yesterday for Reed City, where he has hired out as express agent. He has been working at the Michigan Central freight depot.

George Smith was in Bay City, last Sunday to visit his mother, who is in feeble health, owing to her extreme age. She is over 80 years old.

For sale or trade for cattle: 1 sorrel gelding 6 years old, weight 1075 lbs; 1 bay mare coming four years old, weight 1000 pounds. P. J. Mosuma, Grayling.

Advertise with liners among the local readers. This class of advertising costs more but is best—10 cents per line. Special rates on yearly contracts.

John Harrison, who works at the round house shops, has purchased a 40 acre farm in Oscoda county. He says that eventually he expects to move there and farm it.

For Sale—House and lot on Peninsula Ave., two doors from Brink's grocery. 6 rooms, bath, running hot and cold water, drain. Inquire of or address Alonzo Colten, box 417, Grayling, Mich.

John Benson has purchased the corner property back of the Russell hotel, and will build a fine cement garage there. The old building that has stood so many years on this spot, has been moved farther back on the next lot.

The handsome art calendars that the Cassidy bakery is going to give away this season, were purchased from the Avalanche office, and are a work of art. These are the kind that are not destroyed but hang on the wall for a full year, then the picture is often times taken off and framed.

Arrangements are in progress for the second annual Moose ball which will be held at the opera house on New Year's night. The various committees have been appointed and other preliminary work done, and from all appearances this is going to surpass their efforts of last year. Most people here will recollect that the Moose dance last year was one of the nicest parties ever held in the city.

Christmas Suggestions



\$1.00 to \$6.00

MILTON SIMPSON
PHONE 14

The Model bakery is giving a 100 page school tablet with each 10c loaf every Thursday. Don't forget the day.

Special Clubbing Offer—The Colliers Weekly and the Avalanche for one year for \$2.50. This is for new subscribers and those paid in advance only. Colliers Weekly regularly sells for \$2.50 per year.

Come in and order your fall and winter suit and overcoat made by Rogers, Blake & Co., and you will be sure of a fine fitting suit and overcoat. A. E. HENDRICKSON, Merchant Tailor, 10-4-11.

New Russell Hotel

Under New Management.

Steam Heat. Electric Lights.

RATES: \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day.

First Class Cafe in Connection.

John F. Benson

Local news on other pages.



SYNOPSIS.

Professor Desmond of the Peak observatory causes a great sensation throughout the country by announcing that what appears to be a satellite is approaching at terrific speed. Destruction of the earth is feared. Panic prevails everywhere. The satellite barely misses the earth. The atmospheric disturbance knocks people unconscious, but does no damage. A cat bearing a cabalistic design darters down among the guests at a lawn party. It is identical in design with a curious ornament worn by Doris Norton. A hideous man-like being with huge wings descends in the midst of the guests. He notices Doris' ornament and starts toward her. The men fear he intends some harm to Doris and a fierce battle ensues, in which Professor Desmond and Doris are injured. The flying man is wounded by a shot from Toliver and March, authors of Doris, and Professor Desmond are injured. The flying man is wounded by a shot from Toliver, but escapes by flying away. A farmer reports that the flying man carried off his young daughter. People everywhere are terror-stricken at the possibilities of the flying man. The governor orders \$50,000 for his capture, dead or alive. Putnam is the first to offer a reward of \$50,000. After a thrilling chase in the air he is thrown from his machine by the flying man and killed. The reward is increased to a million. The aviators find themselves outwitted and outmaneuvered by the flying man. Artillery proves futile.

CHAPTER IX.—Continued.

"You pup," grunted North from his chair. All undisturbed, March continued maliciously:

"Yes, he is greatly taken. Says you remind him of the girl he is engaged to and wants to tell you about her."

"Ah!" breathed the girl in evident relief. "I shall be more than pleased to listen. Also, I want to hear about the case from him. You must bring him up."

"I will do so with all the resignation and misgivings of which I am capable. He is going back to the field right now and I have decided to accompany him and show him your house. He says he will stop in for a few moments on his way—with your permission."

"Liar," hissed the listener. "But I will, just to spite you. You can't bluff me that way."

Doris seemed genuinely pleased at the announcement. "By all means come—both of you. And if you hurry you will be just in time for lunch—light and cold, you know—just a few mouthfuls and a cup of tea. I am going to ring off now before you have a chance to decline. Goodby." The receiver clicked in the hook and she was gone. March turned to his friend with a grin.

"We are elected to go at once and have a few bites of lunch before you pass on to your machine. She hung up the receiver on me before I got a chance to consult you about it. So I suppose we might as well be on our way." He banged down his desk, put on his hat and left the office.

Doris met them at the door frankly pleased to see them, wonderfully tempting in her soft, mellow gown that floated about her legs as a sum of mer cloud. Exceedingly dainty and pretty she was, but Alan was quick to notice the faint, dark circles which bespeaked another night of ill rest. She led them directly to the light dining room with its plain, solid oak furniture, and seated them at the table at once.

"I was afraid that Mr. North might be impatient to get back to his machine. So I thought we would have our luncheon first and our chat afterwards that he might not feel that I was delaying matters. I realize that he feels that he should be prepared to leave upon a minute's notice at all times. Anyway we can talk more or less as we nibble. Do you know?" she turned the tea with a wrist so rounded and altogether fascinating that they watched it as if spellbound.

"That I imagine I feel somewhat as the southern women did during our Civil war when their men folks were marching away to defend their homes? All houses were open to the soldiers then, and while you gentlemen of the air are here risking your lives for our protection, we women should be happy to do everything in our power to make your stay as pleasant as possible. I want you to come straight here whenever you feel inclined and bring any friends you may wish to with you. Now tell me about the chase." North laughed heartily.

"There isn't anything in particular to tell except that the creature we were after and myself sat it out together all night." He attacked his sandwich reminiscently.

"And what happened?" breathed the girl.

"I suppose I might as well tell the story at once and be through with it. You saw the first part of the chase when he led us around that big loop to see what kind of stuff was in us, so I need not go into that. It was just the same thing all the way round, anyway. Of course when that mortar unit him pinwheeling through the air we felt considerably encouraged, but he wasn't hurt a bit and kept on as fast as before, keeping his distance ahead of us almost to a rod and leaving us as much in doubt as ever as to whether he was doing his best or just flirting with us. Just as we got over the mountains some of the boys got discouraged and opened fire on him—over his shoulder he heard those peep echoes come back at us. He was so far ahead that it was merely wasting ammunition to shoot yet there was a bare chance of landing him so the rest of us cut loose in order if somebody happened to drop him we could all have a claim on the reward, since nobody would be able to swear which bullet did the work. Of course we did not get him, so we kept on with the chase. It got dark pretty soon after that, and for a while we had a hard time keeping him in sight, but presently the moon arose and that gave us light enough for all practical purposes. It certainly was an eerie sight to see that dark bat-

winged party ahead scudding through the moonlight like one of those funny things you sometimes dream about after a rarebit. For the first time in my life the creeps came along my back—felt like frozen footed caterpillars were crawling up and down me. Presently I looked around and saw that the rest of the fellows had turned back, but I thought I would go on for a little while longer just on a bare chance. So I did."

"It was altogether too reckless and I hope you will not take such a chance again," broke out the girl impatiently. North seized the opportunity to finish his sandwich.

"Well, perhaps so, but I certainly do need a good slice of that million. And I figured it that they having abandoned the chase for the night and turned him over to me, if I happened to be lucky enough to land him the larger portion if not all of the reward would be mine. So I kept on. The moon kept getting brighter as it grew darker and for half an hour more I coaxed the Dragon along by every trick I knew. It certainly was some sight when I looked down upon those mountain tops that were skimming over. Never saw such grotesque shapes and shadows as those jumbled rock piles—caves and grottoes and goblin places—while as for the canyons and valleys—well, some of them were moonlight bathed and I was willing to swear that I saw witches riding about on their broomsticks and gnomes dancing, although I suppose, of course, they were nothing but flying shadows. Others were as black as the mouth of the Pit itself, while ahead of me and always keeping his distance with infernal endurance was the most uncanny phantom of them all—the very spirit of the night."

He stopped speaking to sip at his tea and the girl shivered.

"Think of it!" she murmured in an awed voice. "The recklessness of it—the foolhardiness. You had no right to do it." He acquiesced.

"I will admit that for once I pushed discretion to the limit, and after I had left the others twenty-five or thirty miles behind I began to see it in that light. Well, my engine was beginning to act up a little by reason of getting a heated bearing, and I saw that I would have to come down, willy nilly. But it was no joke of a trick in that uncertain shimmer with those sharp rocks stabbing up all around, and I confess I was a little anxious. But presently I reached a valley that seemed to have a pretty level floor in places and I dove for it and managed to alight after quite a shake up. Then I looked up. The Flying Man had swung about, too, and was now circling back over me and things began promising to be real interesting. I did not like the lay of the land where I was particularly well, so I backed up against a rock, pulled my revolver, firmly placed one foot before and yelled:

"Come one, come all. This rock shall be my base as soon as I."

"I guess that scared him, for he screeched back, took a skin over me, saw that he could not get at me ex-

cept from in front and then flapped across the valley and roosted on the edge of a rock about a quarter of a mile away where he could watch me. I was pretty tired and set down, but of course I did not dare go to sleep. What I was most afraid of was that he would drop rocks on my machine and smash it, but for some reason he didn't. Maybe he did not happen to think of it just then, and maybe he was too tired to go carting boulders around and concluded to wait until morning when he was rested. Anyway, he certainly must have been pretty well played out, for I could see his head sink until it rested on his chest. He made me think of a condor roosting. I did not sleep a wink all night, but I guess he was snoring most of the time; anyway when the sun came up I could tell that he was in a sound dose. I got my machine ready as quietly as I could and then took another look at him. He had not moved and I decided to risk a shot. Of course he was so far away

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OLD AND NEW CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

HERE are two days of supreme importance to all Christendom when, no matter what the difference in creeds, the whole Christian world unites in the observance of what are rightly regarded as the most significant anniversaries in the year. On Easter and Christmas all the churches are at one.

The story of the first Christmas is so universally known that it needs no repetition, and one hesitates to repeat it for fear of mar- ring the beauty and simplicity of the original narrative. The story of the origin of the observance of Christmas is quite another thing, however, and may be approached in a more mundane spirit. We take part in the time honored customs which are so intimately associated with the day without stopping to consider whether they had their inception in the Christmas idea or whether they ever had any other significance than they now have. We trim the Christmas tree, distribute our presents, decorate with holly and mistletoe and sit down to a big dinner, and if we ever stop to think why we do these things (and it is more than likely that we don't) why, it is just the Christmas custom and that's all there is to it.

But it is very far from being all. The customs which seem such an integral part of the festival are inextricably tangled up with Roman, Scandinavian, German and Celtic ceremonials, in which very many of them had their origin. Our Christmas, when we investigate it, is found to be a melting pot of pagan traditions and practices without number, purged of their old significance and adapted to the higher faith.

The observer halts before the contemplation of the countless variety of customs associated with Christmas in all lands, both in the past and the present day. To describe them all would fill a good sized book, so we can only refer briefly here to some of the most prominent of them.

The early fathers of the church, however much they might have desired to banish all pagan practices from the exercises of religion, were perforce obliged to allow their converts to retain part of the old usages. It was an impossibility to put an end to them, so they wisely decided that it was better to let the people follow their bent along certain lines rather than to antagonize them by insisting too strongly on a course which they were bound to oppose. The more glaringly heathenish rites were eradicated, and those which remained were purged of their more objectionable features and infused with a new spirit.

Christmas was not observed at all, so far as we can find any record, for 200 or 300 years after the birth of Christ, and as the event had occurred in such a humble fashion men were quite unable to determine its date when they began to interest themselves in keeping the anniversary. There is not a month in the year for which some authority has not claimed the honor of the nativity. One thing is certain, and that is that it could not have occurred on the 25th of December, as this date is the height of the rainy season in Judea, as in California, and it is quite unlikely that the shepherds could have been watching their flocks by night under those conditions.

The first attempt on record to assign any date for the nativity was made in Egypt about 200 A. D., when May 20 was the date mentioned. From that time forward claims were made for various dates, January 6 and December 25 being the most in favor up to the time of Chrysostom in the fourth century, when the latter gained the preference.

This date was not chosen entirely without reason. The celebration of the winter solstice was one of the chief festivals of Rome, and among the Celts and Germans it was regarded with even greater significance. The sun, as the giver of light and heat, and consequently of life, has been an object of worship and adoration from the remotest times down to the present day; therefore the period of the winter solstice as marking the renewal of the power of the sun was a time of rejoicing among all peoples who either worshiped the sun directly or who regarded it as a manifestation of one of their deities. The 12 days between December 25 and January 6 were regarded as extremely important by the Teutonic races, who believed that at that time the influence of the gods was more powerfully directed toward the earth than at any other. Nothing could be more natural, therefore, than that these peoples, on turning to Christianity, should fix the commemoration of the appearance of the Saviour on the earth at the same time of year they had been accustomed to acknowledge the glory of the sun. The significance of the two events is parallel; the one heralds new life to the physical world and the other the deliverance of the human race from the powers of evil.

It has been pointed out that in the early period of the church it was considered wise to allow the converts to retain some of the old customs. The observance of Christmas was therefore encouraged as a substitute for the pagan festivals. In particular for the Roman saturnalia, which occurred in December and which was so popular that while it originally lasted for one day only (the 17th), it was later extended to three days and later, under the Emperor Claudius, to seven. The festival was opened by public sacrifice before the temple of Saturn, followed by a great public banquet, in which all classes participated. From this time all the people seemed to go mad, the completest liberty prevailed and it was a time of universal festivity and merry making. Critics ascribed to the modern "Merry Christmas," a form of greeting similar to the modern "Merry Christmas," it was a holiday time in the widest sense; schools and law courts were closed and the senate adjourned; no criminal was executed and no war was proclaimed. The slaves enjoyed an equality with their masters, and even served them at the table. The people occupied themselves in calling on one another, in exchanging presents and attending banquets. There was always one day especially devoted to the children, a custom to which we may trace the particular significance of Christmas to children down to the present time.

Certain other practices of the Saturnalia which Christmas has preserved related to candles, images and cakes. Candles were always in evidence at this time, as were small images made either of baked clay or dough. The Germans today always make a practice of baking great quantities of all kinds of Christmas cakes, which are an important and indispensable adjunct to the occasion.



carols for several nights before Christmas.

Similarly in some of the country districts in France the children make the rounds of the village, carrying a little cradle on their backs and singing carols for pennies.

Santa Claus is not as familiar a figure in France as he is among us. There, instead of hanging up their stockings to be filled by him, they place their shoes in front of the fireplace on Christmas eve, so that the Christchild may leave their presents in them.

In north Germany, however, it is not the Christchild who gives the presents, but his servant, Knecht Ruprecht. This individual is usually represented by a man who clothes himself in a white robe and high boots, a mask and an enormous wig. So attired he presents himself at the door and announces that he is sent by the Christchild to distribute gifts among the children. The parents receive him ceremoniously, and he inquires whether each child has been good; and if the answer is in the affirmative the child receives his presents; but if not, Knecht Ruprecht gives the parents a stick with the advice to use it often.

In Belgium the children go about carrying paper stars with a lighted candle in the center from Christmas to Epiphany, to commemorate the appearance of the star of Bethlehem. There is a similar practice among some of the natives of Alaska, belonging to the Greek church. A procession of men, women and children is formed, at the head of which is carried a large figure of a star covered with brightly colored paper. Two men also march at the head, carrying lanterns on long poles. The procession makes the rounds of the village, stopping at each house, where the marchers are invited to come in and take refreshments. They always accept and after singing a carol or two they march on to the next house. This performance is kept up through Christmas week, but after the second night it is varied by the introduction of a new feature. The star bearers are pursued by men and boys, who try to catch them and destroy their stars, and while the significance of the game is supposed to lie in the fact that it is a representation of the soldiers of Herod killing the children of Bethlehem, the players are mainly concerned in the opportunities for a frolic which it affords and bother themselves little about the event it is supposed to commemorate.

The old custom of burning the yule log still endures in certain parts of Europe. It is an outgrowth of the feast of Jul among the ancient Scandinavians, when every winter at the solstice they kindled enormous fires in honor of the god Thor. Among the Slavonians of southeastern Europe the bringing in and burning of the yule log is an elaborate ceremony. Some time during the week before Christmas, or on the day before, an oak or beech tree is selected, but on account of the superstition that such trees are endowed with souls it is necessary to observe certain precautions while cutting it down. The hewers must wear gloves throughout the whole proceeding and before they dare lay an ax to the tree they must face the east and cross themselves three times, and in falling it they must take care that it falls toward the east. Evil consequences will follow if they do not chop off a chicken's head on the fresh stump, using the same ax with which they cut down the tree. The first chip is the prize of the housewife, who preserves it to put under the cream dish, so that the cream will be rich and abundant during the year.

After sprinkling the newly hewn log with barley to insure good crops for the coming year it is ready to load on the ox wagon and the homeward journey is so timed that the house is not reached until after twilight falls. The housewife is on the lookout for it and as soon as she sees it coming she hastens to hide the table, the spoons, the fire shovel and the dining chairs, which are not brought to light again until the log has been kindled. It is generally about midnight when the log is brought into the house, and it is received at the doorway by the father, who wishes his family a "Good morning and merry Christmas" three times. They, on greeting him in turn, shake over him some barley and, this ceremonial having been observed, he drags the log up to the hearth by means of a chain wound around it. In case the log is brought into the house before evening three sticks are cut from it and leaned against the eastern wall, where they remain, crowned with ivy, until the log is burned out.

The log must be paid marked respect by everybody up to the very last if good luck is to be enjoyed during the year, and no one had better approach it barefooted unless he wants to condemn himself to a whole year's suffering with sore feet.

Christmas eve is distinguished by feasting and if a visitor appears he is sprinkled with grain from a sieve by the master of the house, in return for which greeting he places three candles wound around with gold and silver thread in the bottom of the sieve. These are lit at the beginning of the meal and when everybody has had his fill the master of the house extinguishes them with a bit of bread dipped in wine.

Much more could be told concerning the way Christmas is observed in different localities and many curious beliefs and practices would thus be brought to light. Some can be traced directly to a purely Christian source; the origin of others is unexplainable, and very many prove to be relics of the ages preceding the introduction of Christianity. The features briefly touched upon above are only the skimmings of innumerable usages relating to this one day. There is no other day in the year about which such a great variety of traditions and observances cluster, for there is no other day which people so delight to commemorate and none which is regarded with such deep and universal veneration.

Now is the time of all good things that delight the heart of man at the passing of summer. Hickory nuts, fresh molasses, apples, sweet cider and "punkin" pie, are all ushered in with the approaching vanguard of winter, and until the April rains return we shall be basking in the warmth and comfort, the cheer and delight of home.—Paris, Mo., Appeal.

Spain annually uses the huge quantity of 250,000 tons of grapes for the making of other products than wine.

FAITHFUL DOG DEAD AFTER LONG WATCH

Day In and Day Out "Shep" Watched at Dead Master's Bank Building.

Anaconda, Mont.—Shep, the dog that has waited in front of the Daly bank six long years for his master, is dead. He was run over by an automobile and so seriously injured that he was shot.

Six years ago Shep's master, a sheep herder, went to Anaconda after a season on the range. He took the dog with him. Shep waited outside the bank while his master went inside to cash a check. While inside the man was stricken with apoplexy, placed on a stretcher and taken to a hospital in an ambulance.

It did not look natural to Shep but he followed the ambulance to the hospital and waited outside for sev-



Kept a Constant Vigil.

eral days. The master died a few hours after reaching the hospital. Shep saw the funeral procession, but it was unusual and he still waited. Then he remembered that his master had gone into the bank the last time he had actually seen him, so he went there and curled up on the front steps and waited. For months he would look up expectantly every time some one came out of the building, but his hopes began to wane. In spite of this he kept a constant vigil and had made the front of the bank his home for six years, only leaving long enough to get something to eat.

He grew old and deaf during his long wait. Each year President E. J. Bowman of the bank paid his tax to the city, but he still waited for the sheep herder, who did not come out of the bank. For the last few months Shep had been stiffening with age so fast that it was an effort for him to walk. Then a flying automobile struck him and broke his back.

SHE "RAISED" HER HUSBAND

Hopes for Better Luck With Youth Than First Mate, Forty Years Her Senior.

Kansas City, Mo.—"If you want a model husband, raise him. Teach him not to stay out at night and have him help with the house work."

That is the advice Mrs. Louis Smith, forty-two years old, gave the other day after she had been married to Louis Smith, aged twenty-two. "I know my husband is all right, because I raised him myself," said Mrs. Smith.

This is Mrs. Smith's second matrimonial venture. Her first husband was forty years older than she, and she says he did not turn out well. Her former name was King. Louis Smith came to live at the King home when he was fourteen. The woman cared for the lad as a mother. Then her husband deserted her.

Mrs. Smith says Louis first began to love her two years ago. "Will you marry me?" he asked her, "No, Louis, you are too young," says she.

"Will you marry me when I am of age?" says he.

"I said yes, for I like that boy," smiled Mrs. Smith.

GIRL WHIPS HER FATHER

Buffalo Young Woman Resented Pa's Curt Dismissal of Young Man Caller.

Buffalo, N. Y.—John Hoolihan, who lives at the foot of South Michigan street, did not like the looks of a young man who called on his daughter the other night and chased him away.

After he had gone, Hoolihan, according to the police, scolded the girl. She stood his talk for a few minutes and then bounced a wooden potato masher on his head. The old man went down for the count.

When he revived he complained to the police that he had been slugged in his own house. Detectives Murphy and Ryan took him to the Emergency hospital where his cuts were dressed. Afterwards he was taken to the Franklin street station and made a statement. He wanted somebody arrested, but he did not know whom.

Dies in Peculiar Manner. Sharon, Pa.—Seized with a dizzy spell while washing dishes, Anna Bruce, fourteen, daughter of a wealthy dairyman of Hickory, fell and was strangled to death when her head slipped into the loop of a harness reaping strap that was hanging on the wall.

Out of Season. Chicago—With the city beaches crusted with snow, the city council met to define what is naughty and what is proper in woman's bathing costumes.

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—Olney, Ill., Advocate.

Special Clubbing Offer—The Colliers Weekly and the Avalanche for one year for \$2.50. This is for new subscribers and those paid in advance only. Colliers Weekly regularly sells for \$2.50 per year.

Local News

George Olson is able to be out again after an illness of several days.

Ray Gierther left for his home in Cheboygan yesterday afternoon.

Furnished room wanted—Phone. Avalanche office for particulars.

Your time will be spent well if you read every advertisement in this paper.

There will be a special meeting of Pythian lodge next Wednesday night for election of officers.

C. A. Cook, of Eldorado, was in this city on Wednesday of this week looking after some business interests.

John Johnson, of Beaver Creek, was taken to Ann Arbor hospital, one day last week. He has been ill for some time.

Mrs. A. B. Failing and daughter, Francella left for Saginaw on Monday where the little girl is having her eyes treated.

The Grayling Mercantile Co.'s store will be open until 9:00 o'clock beginning next Monday night and continuing to Christmas eve.

For fear you forget, we say it yet. Our holiday goods are now on display, and you are cordially invited to visit our store.

Mrs. Vern Beetle, of Saginaw, was a guest of Miss Iola Milnes on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. She will be remembered as Anna Wellington.

The young ladies of the Presbyterian Sunday school are arranging a Christmas program. Xmas exercises this year will be held on Monday, the 22nd of December.

Free—Pair trousers with each suit ordered before December 31. If pants are not wanted you may order a handsome silk vest free with each order for suit or over coat.

The Presbyterian Boys club will meet on Tuesday night of every week in the church basement at 7 o'clock. Boys desiring to join the Indian club class, may secure clubs themselves, or may order them from the directors. Membership fee, 25c. All money will be used for gymnasium equipment.

The Danish Lutheran church society will give a supper at Church hall, tonight. Everybody come.

Miss A. E. Irving was called to Roscommon on Tuesday afternoon on business pertaining to school. Miss Augusta Kraus supplied in the fourth grade room, during her absence.

Lost—A purse containing a sum of money, Wednesday afternoon between the City bakery and John H. Cook's residence on South Side. Reward.

Mrs. J. C. Burton arrived on Tuesday, from Bay City where she spent a week, the guest of Mrs. A. Phelps, who has often visited in this city. Mrs. Burton also spent a couple of days in Saginaw.

The ladies' ward at Mercy hospital has been divided into two sections by building a wall through the center of the room. One part of this will be used as an addition to the men's ward, which is usually over crowded.

The M. E. Ladies' Aid will serve a 10 cent lunch at the home of Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Thursday p. m., December 18th, beginning at three o'clock. Many useful and dainty articles left over from the fair will be on sale there. Everybody is invited.

The sacrament of the Lord's supper will be celebrated Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church. "Parallels from the Jewish Feast" is the theme for the evening service. Marion Schreck will lead the Young Peoples meeting. Rev. D. Gillis, Pastor.

Master Edward Charron celebrated his eleventh birthday Wednesday, by entertaining a number of his friends at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Charron. Out door games were enjoyed until 6 o'clock when a delicious luncheon was served after which games were resumed for a short time. Master Edward received many pretty gifts and wishes for many happy birthdays from his friends.

Hugh McMillan, an employee at T-Town mills, has been ill at Mercy hospital for the past several weeks. The employees at the mills and others tossed about seventy five dollars into the hat one day this week, and presented it to the sick man. Mr. McMillan was greatly surprised when he received the money and is extremely grateful. He has requested that we extend through this paper, his sincere thanks to his friends who have so generously remembered him in this hour of need.

Miss Anna Bosen is absent from the Salling, Hanson Co.'s store today on account of illness.

For Rent—Two good farms on good terms. Apply at Forest View farm, Neenah, Wis., or at Wellington.

Ernest Richardson, of Roscommon was in this city on business last Friday, also visiting his sister, Mrs. E. E. Gregory.

Wanted—Position by first class cook on boarding cars or in camp. Second place considered. J. M. G., Lock Box 356, Grayling.

Frank Neltet, who has been ill, more or less during the past summer, is reported as improving, and may resume his work in the round house shops soon.

Mrs. George Pearsall and Mrs. Chas. Richardson, of Roscommon, were guests of their sister, Mrs. P. E. Gregory the latter part of last week. Mrs. Gregory also entertained her cousin, Mrs. Chas. Richardson, of Pere Cheney, Saturday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Masonic lodge will be held tonight. Also there will be election of officers for the ensuing year. It is the duty of every member to be present at this annual meeting, and social pleasures should not keep anybody away. Meeting at seven o'clock.

Severn Jensen, who drives a delivery wagon for Sorenson Bros. furniture store, had quite a painful accident yesterday afternoon, when, as he was getting onto the wagon after making a delivery, the horse started up, throwing him to the ground, he striking on his head and cutting a deep gash near his temple. He was taken to Mercy hospital where the wound was dressed and was taken to his home last evening.

H. C. Holbrook and family have sold their home in this city and are moving to Tekonsha, Michigan. This takes from Grayling one of our oldest families, the Holbrooks having moved here from Branch county in 1882. Mr. Holbrook has always been an honored citizen of Grayling, and with his wife, and daughter, Mrs. Stewart, and little daughter Grace, will be greatly missed. Their friends here will wish for them a happy home in Tekonsha.

"A little nonsense now and then, is relished by the wisest men," so for that reason we have engaged the Foster service of "literary conventions." These will be published at intervals throughout the year, and are bound to become popular from the first installment, which will be on December 25th. These articles are not cheap, shallow jokes but things that will almost make you fall out of your chair with laughter. Don't miss a single one. If you don't take the paper send in your subscription at once.

The L. F. O. sewing club, which was organized a short time ago, spent a most delightful evening at the home of Miss Marie Foreman last Thursday, when they were entertained with a "doll party." All were dressed as young folks and brought their dolls with them. During the evening stick candy, chewing gum and peanuts were enjoyed. In a cake contest, Miss Augusta Kraus won the prize and in a peanut contest Miss Nola Sheehy won a prize. The young ladies visited the latter part of the evening and then a delicious luncheon was served by the hostess. At a late hour the "little tots" left for their homes, declaring Miss Marie a most charming hostess.

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Probate Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the village of Grayling, in said county, on the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1913.

Present: Hon. Wellington Batterson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of James Philpenny, deceased.

J. W. Sorenson, a creditor of said estate, having filed in said court his petition, praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Allen B. Failing, of the village of Grayling, or to some other suitable person;

It is ordered, that the 5th day of Jan., A. D. 1914, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition;

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the CRAWFORD AVALANCHE, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WELLINGTON BATTERSON, Judge of Probate.

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